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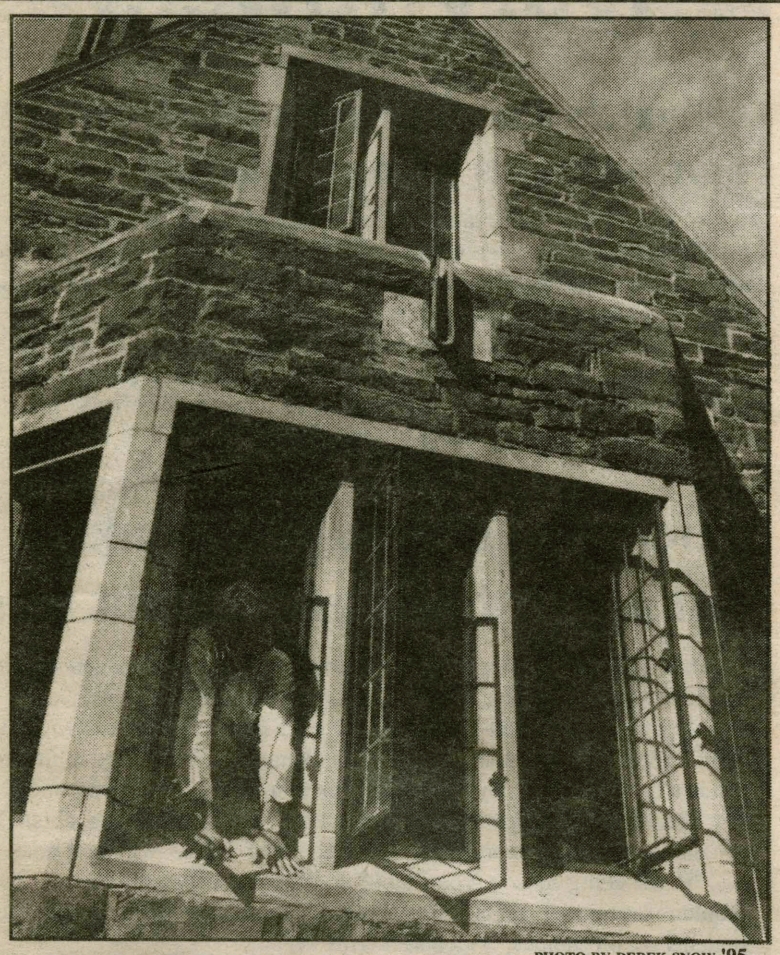

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Open , but for how much longer? The fate of private societies like Sigma Phi pictured here may be in jeopardy.

Trustees to meet this weekend

Residential life and admissions to dominate agenda

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
NEWS EDITOR

The Hamilton College Board of Trustees will convene on campus this weekend for its quarterly meeting. This is the first of four meetings of the trustees held each academic year. Issues to be discussed at it include residential life, new programs for admissions, and projects aimed at transforming the campus.

Discussing his expectations for the upcoming meetings, President Eugene Tobin stated, "We are looking forward to a constructive meeting. Its highlights will revolve around admissions, residential life, and new ideas and directions for the Communications and Development Office."

"This meeting will set the stage for [trustee]meetings to come throughout the year," commented Dean of Students Jan Coates. She said that the primary focus of this weekend's meeting will be on issues related to social life on campus, and results of the Recent Graduate Survey which will be released to the trustees. This survey, conducted last summer, polled graduates of the past five years on their experiences at Hamilton.

Most of the trustee committees are expected to meet to listen to various proposals and discuss new ideas.

In its meeting, the Residential Life Committee will continue its examination of the results from the Residential Life Survey which was conducted last year. This extensive survey polled students, faculty, and prospective students on their views of residential life at Hamilton. The survey's results are expected to play a key role in the final recommendations of the Residential Life Committee. These are expected to be released by the beginning of 1995. The Committee is also expected to finalize its mission statements at this weekend's meetings.

The recent vote by faculty members to abolish private societies at Hamilton, will be another topic of discussion for the Residential Life Committee.. In light of the vote, some students have speculated that a decision has already been made by the Committee regarding the fate of private societies [see related article below]. This is not so, said Dean of Faculty G. Roberts Kolb who added, "The community would not be well served by a committee that began with its own agenda." The debate over private societies is the most controversial and closely watched issue that is expected to be resolved when the Residential Life Committee releases its recommendations next year.

The Committee on Development, will meet with Richard Tantillo, Vice President of Communications and Development to discuss new ideas and for development. In addition, the Committee will release a progress report on activities for the current school year.

The Planning Committee, chaired by Tom Schwarz "66 will meet with President Tobin who will provide an update on his recently

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Faculty vote by wide margin for elimination of private societies

Near unanimous support for move in faculty meeting

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
NEWS EDITOR

In a meeting held on Tuesday, September 27, the faculty voted overwhelmingly in favor of abolishing private societies at Hamilton College. Of the estimated 80 faculty members in attendance, only one voted in the voice vote to keep the system of private societies unchanged.

This non-binding action comes at a time when many students and faculty are speculating about the fate of private societies. Their fate is expected in to be decided early 1995 when the Residential Life Committee releases its findings from the Residential Life Study. The issue of private societies at Hamilton has been the subject of highly charged debate and controversy for several years. The faculty vote is expected to be discussed at this weekend's trustee meetings.

The vote was put on the faculty meeting agenda following the submission of a petition by eleven faculty members, including Associate Professor of English Patricia O'Neil who is one of two faculty members serving on the Residential Life Committee. Professor of English Austin Briggs and Professor of Physics James Ring co-sponsored the resolution for the vote.

The resolution stated the impetus for the vote: "Be it resolved that in order to improve the quality of residential life at Hamilton College, we, the faculty support the development of a residential system that facilitates those living arrangement s supportive of the academic mission of the College and that prohibits all self-selecting, exclusionary private societies."

Resolution approved before

Faculty votes on similar resolutions have been taken several times during the last decade. Each time, the faculty voted in favor of abolishing private societies. "The faculty has been on record for many years [stating their position]," noted Professor of Anthropology Henry Rutz who attended the meeting. He said that there was little discussion prior to the vote, in part because it was one of last items on the meeting's agenda.

Other items on the agenda last week included a discussion about the role of athletics at Hamilton, the introduction of new faculty members and administrators, and the presentation of a report on the pending installation of a campus computer network. Faculty meetings are usually held during the first Tuesday of each month and are upon to all students.

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Earliest ever open houses coming soon for prospective students

BY BARI ALTBERG '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

It is only October, but the Hamilton Admissions Office is already working hard on next year's class. This Monday and Saturday, October 29th, the Officeo of Admission is sponsoring Open Houses for prospective students. By starting the process early, it attempts to prospectives a chance to see Hamilton in full swing. It is a goal of the admissions office to make a good impression on the prospectives, and by having Open Houses now, they will get a chance to experience our "special place."

The admission office has invited everyone on their mailing list, hoping to attract a diverse group of prospectives from various geographic locations. Parents and prospectives will have a chance to meet with faculty and students. There will be a faculty-student panel, in which students will have a chance to speak on behalf of Hamilton.

Admissions hopes that talking to students about what they like about Hamilton, what it has to offer and why they chose to attend, will encourage the prospective student . This aspect of the Open Houses provides the prospectives with personal accounts. Instead of just coming for a tour and an interview, prospectives have a chance to relate with the students to learn firsthand what Hamilton is all about. Most of the expected prospectives that will be at the Open Houses have not yet applied to Hamilton. Therefore, it is hoped that this visit and others later in the year will persuade them. Once the students see the campus and experience the uniqueness of Hamilton and its students, they will be im-

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In A & E:

For a preview of Alumni Weekend Events turn to page 14 and 15.

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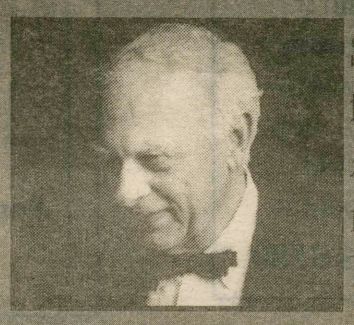

See page 7 for the Alumni's return to the Hill.

In Sports:

Turn to the back page to read about the Men's Soccer teams's four straight victories.

Campus Safety stresses awareness and responsibility at Hamilton

By Eli Koppel '98
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Campus Safety, a service-oriented department whose primary purpose is to provide a safe and secure environment for the Hamilton community, has not encountered too many problems this year. With a well-trained and experienced staff, Campus Safety remains alert for the unexpected.

Pat Ingalls, Director of Campus Safety, warned "the Hamilton environment leads people to believe that we are in a safe haven. We are no different than anywhere else. Although there haven't been many cases of peeping toms and stalkers or other serious criminal actions, it's important that people report suspicious activities. People have to be aware and responsible for their own safety."

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE HEDGES '96

One of the main worries of Safety last year, as well as this one, has been false fire alarms.

"A couple of weeks ago we responded to three fire alarms in seven minutes. The false alarms, either being pulled or set off in another way, have caused students to become lax to a potentially dangerous and unknown fire. Since we respond to all fire alarms on-campus as well as private societies, we could be caught investigating a false alarm, while a real alarm is not given the proper notice," Pat Ingalls said. There have been other cases last year where poor judgment has endangered the Hamilton community. This year, Safety is attempting to prevent these cases from happening by bringing about an increased awareness of responsibility within the campus. "These cases include bottles being thrown out windows at cars and people, bonfires, even one case of a burning couch out the third floor of a residence hall," adds Ingalls.

The main problem that Safety faces is the lack of communication with the students. "We don't get enough feedback from students. Students need to report incidents as they happen. When we are assigning patrol patterns, it's vital that we know where to focus our security officers," Ingalls said.

However, Safety has been attempting to satisfy concerns of the campus. They have also been meeting with departments such as the Residential Life Committee and the Womyn's Community Center in developing better communication of student needs. One of the programs developed was SafeWalks, a student run organization sponsored by the Womyn's Community Center. It's a campus escort service in facilitating the concerns of traveling on campus at night.

Caroline Antonio '95, one of the coordinators for the Womyn's Center, said, "We escort anyone to and from anywhere on campus. At present, we are trying to get more students working so that we could extend the safewalks to the weekends where they are most needed."There have been other concerns from students which campus security is taking into consideration.

"On College Hill Road, cars come down pretty fast through the crosswalk. I don't know whether a car is going to stop or not. They need speed bumps to force those cars to slow down," said Steve Watt '98. The needs of students, be it increased lighting through campus or locked entrance doors to the residence halls, can only be met if they are heard. Ingalls adds, "I have an open-door policy. Any concerns about problems with security are advised to see me."

News from other Ivory Towers

Colgate's first sophomore rush attracts more students than anticipated

Colgate's new Greek-letter system, where sophomores are allowed to rush, attracted more students than expected. For the fraternities, 52 sophomore, junior and senior men received bids and 37 accepted a bid from a house. For the sororities, 51 women received bids and 37 accepted.

Continuous open bidding was started at Colgate this year to help get the numbers of members in the houses up. In another effort to raise the numbers in both the fraternities and sororities, membership may be offered into the houses once again this spring. *(The Colgate Maroon-News)*

Michigan lawmaker speaks out against hidden student fees

A Michigan legislator has said that the state's public education systems should stop masking large tuition increases as substantial fee hikes.

Rep. Morris Hood (D-Detroit) criticized the recent administrative trend, citing Eastern Michigan University as an example. EMU raised tuition for resident undergraduates by six percent this year, but the state Department of Managament and Budget reported that the actual increase was about 14 percent due to a mandatory general service fee of $13.33 per credit hour.

"If it's going to cost you $5,000 to attend a university, the schools shouldn't say tuition is $3,500, then come up with another $1,500 in fees when students get on campus," Hood said. *(NSNS)*

Nationwide messiest residence hall room contest to be held

A national game company is sponsoring a contest for the messiest residence hall room in the country.

Milton Bradley, in a promotion for its "Pass the Pigs" game, is looking for the biggest "pigsty" on college campuses. The grand prize winner will receive $1,000, a professional room cleaning, an on-campus party and a Milton Bradley prize pack.

To enter, the contestants must mail a 4x6-inch photo of the room with a brief paragraph describing why they are proud of their "pigsty". Contest entrants must have a resident advisor nominate them to ensure that no intentional damage is inflicted to college residence hall rooms.

Entries must be postmarked by Oct. 10. *(University of Nevada)*

Editor's Note: The letters in the word "dormitory" can be rearranged to spell "dirty room".

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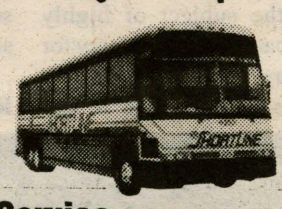

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SHORTLINE

State-of-the-art computer network scheduled for installation by next fall

By Walter Addison March '95
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Several years ago, in the fall of 1990, electronic mail did not exist at Hamilton College. Students who wanted to make use of e-mail had accounts had to use the Cornell University mail system, which they accessed using primitive terminals that consisted of keyboards monitors. The Macintoshes were all dual floppy drive machines. The IBM's all had 5.25 inch disk drives.

In 1994, e-mail is sent and received on the Macintoshes using a modern program called Eudora. Hamilton students access to the so-called Information Superhighway, also called the Internet, is greatly increased by the NewsWatcher, TurboGopher, Fetch and NCSA Telnet programs. The Macintoshes all have hard-drives. There is not a 5.25 inch disk drive to be seen unless it is used to transfer files onto 3.5 inch disks. In addition, students can now use software servers for course software and general use applications such as Aldus PageMaker.

By next fall, another important step in Hamilton's computing history will be made. According to the Assistant Director of Information Technology Services in charge of Support Services, Jim Huang, "The most advanced data network of any campus is going to be in place here at Hamilton."

This network will, according to David Smallen, Director of ITS and Institutional Research, consist of "jacks in every classroom, office, public space, and residence hall room." Because there will be one jack per student, more than 2,500 of them will need to be installed. "These jacks will have voice, data and video ports," said Smallen. The total cost of the network is estimated between $2.5 and$3 million.

According to sources at Yale University, their e-mail system consists of regularly spaced computer clusters with networked Macs and IBM's on campus. Room connections cost $90 this year, plus an extra $75 for PC users, who have to buy an Appletalk card. Another option is to call in to the network via modem. This provides students with full Internet access but no access to University file servers.

Following installation of the new data network next fall, Hamilton will retain its four computer facilities, two IBM-compatible laboratories in the Kirner-Johnson building, the Nesbitt-Johnston Reading and Writing Center with its Macintoshes and the Burke Library Computer Center with its Macintoshes and IBM computers, having networked public computers. The only costs of networking are one-time costs. Those costs will be the price of new computers, the cost of the interface card needed to connect the computer to the network, and the cost of the software. In addition to access to the Internet, students will be able to access the College software servers and the library's online catalog. There are plans to make the library's CD-ROM servers available on the campus network.

"With the video networking, someday it will be possible to have a concert in Wellin Hall broadcasted to the whole campus," said Huang. A channel providing course meeting information is also a possibility that some schools already utilize.

Dartmouth College's network is very similar to the network planned for Hamilton. A Dartmouth student describing the network there recently wrote, "Everybody here has to have a computer, and has a program called Blitzmail." Blitzmail is very much

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Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center to open in December

By Eric Martin '97
NEWS EDITOR

The grand opening of the new Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center, located in Kirner-Johnson 137, will take place this December. The Levitt Center will attempt to provide a means for students to connect with policy makers and analysts as well as the vast resources available through Internet.

The mission of the Levitt Center is to facilitate faculty members and students in examining public issues by providing access to Internet highways, bringing speakers to campus, and coordinating group discussions. In addition, the Center will work to involve Hamilton students in off-campus presentations to high school students to improve their understanding of policy issues.

Under the direction of Associate Professor of Government Gary Wyckoff and Professor of Government David Paris, Staff Assistant Sally Carman, and three student assistants, the Center is currently working on locating valuable social science resources on the Internet. Menus are being developed to more easily access the growing resources available throughout the world. This will enable students and faculty to find more useful information for high quality research projects.

The research center has three Power Macintosh 7100s and three Gateway P5s where students will be able to retrieve information from Internet, CD-ROM databases, and from other electronic resources. The Levitt Center also will include a lounge area for informal meetings between faculty and students, and a seminar room for small group meetings.

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE HEDGES '96

The Aurthur Levitt Public Affairs Center is located in the former location of the Reading and Writing Center.

The services of the Center will be open to all Hamilton students, but should be particularly helpful to students concentrating in economics, government, philosophy, public policy, sociology, and world politics. For more information on the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center please contact Sally Carman at ext. 4451 or Professor Wyckoff at ext. 4198.

Members of the Levitt Center Committee contributed to this article.

Weekend Weather

Saturday: mostly sunny, high 72, low 50

Sunday: partly cloudy, high in the low 60s, low near 45

News Briefs

AIDS expert Fuller to give lecture

Jon Fuller, a nationally-known AIDS expert, will speak on Monday, Oct. 10, at 4:15 p.m., in the Red Pit of the Kirner-Johnson Building. His lecture, "HIV Prevention and the Catholic Church," is free and open to the public.

Fuller is a Jesuit priest and family physician who has been involved with AIDS care since 1983. An assistant professor of medicine and assistant director of the Clinical AIDS Program at Boston City Hospital, Fuller is currently serving part time of the faculty at Harvard Divinity School. He serves on the International Working Group on HIV/AIDS of Caritas Internationalis and is president of the Board of Directors of the National Catholic AIDS Network.

1994 Hamilton graduate receives Apker Award for physics research

The nation's top award for undergraduate physics research performed at a college that does not grant doctoral degrees was presented recently to a 1994 Hamilton College graduate now studying at Princeton University.

Brandon Collings of Media, PA, was named the 1994 recipient of the Apker Award of the American Physical Society following presentations in Washington earlier this month by the five finalists for the award. He will receive his award and present his research in April at the joint meeting of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers.

"Brandon's selection for this prestigious award is a tremendous personal achievement for him and a wonderful tribute to his teachers, especially his advisor Assistant Professor of Physics Ann Silversmith," said Hamilton's Acting Dean of the Faculty G. Roberts Kolb. "His success epitomizes the finest in faculty-student collaboration in which Hamilton has traditionally excelled."

The purpose of the Apker Award, according to the American Physical Society, is "to recognize outstanding achievement in physics by undergraduate students, and thereby provide encouragement to young physicists who have demonstrated great potential for future scientific accomplishment." Selection is based on the student's academic record and original scientific research.

Collings' research, which has been accepted for publication, uses a laser to understand how a rare earth doped crystal interacts with light at different wavelengths. The study was conducted in Hamilton's laser spectroscopy laboratory, which was created in 1990 with a $34,000 grant from the Research Corporation and subsequently enhanced with a three-year, $80,000 grant from the National Science Foundation.

Collings is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in electrical engineering at Princeton University.

Hamilton Professor wins grant from National Science Foundation

A Hamilton College professor has received funding from the National Science Foundation to purchase equipment for student and faculty research conducted locally and in the Antarctic.

Associate Professor of Geology Eugene M. Domack, who will return to Antarctica with several Hamilton students in February, received $21,000 from the NSF to put toward the purchase of a rapid sediment analyzer. Hamilton must match the award for the $42,000 piece of equipment.

As its name implies, the rapid sediment analyzer permits Domack and his students to process 50 to 60 samples a day, compared with more traditional methods that often take many hours or even a full day to analyze. The equipment also provides researchers with the capability of processing a wider range of sample sizes, from coarse particles to very fine particles.

Domack has been a member of the Hamilton faculty since 1985. He is a past recipient of the National Science Foundation's Antarctic Service Award.

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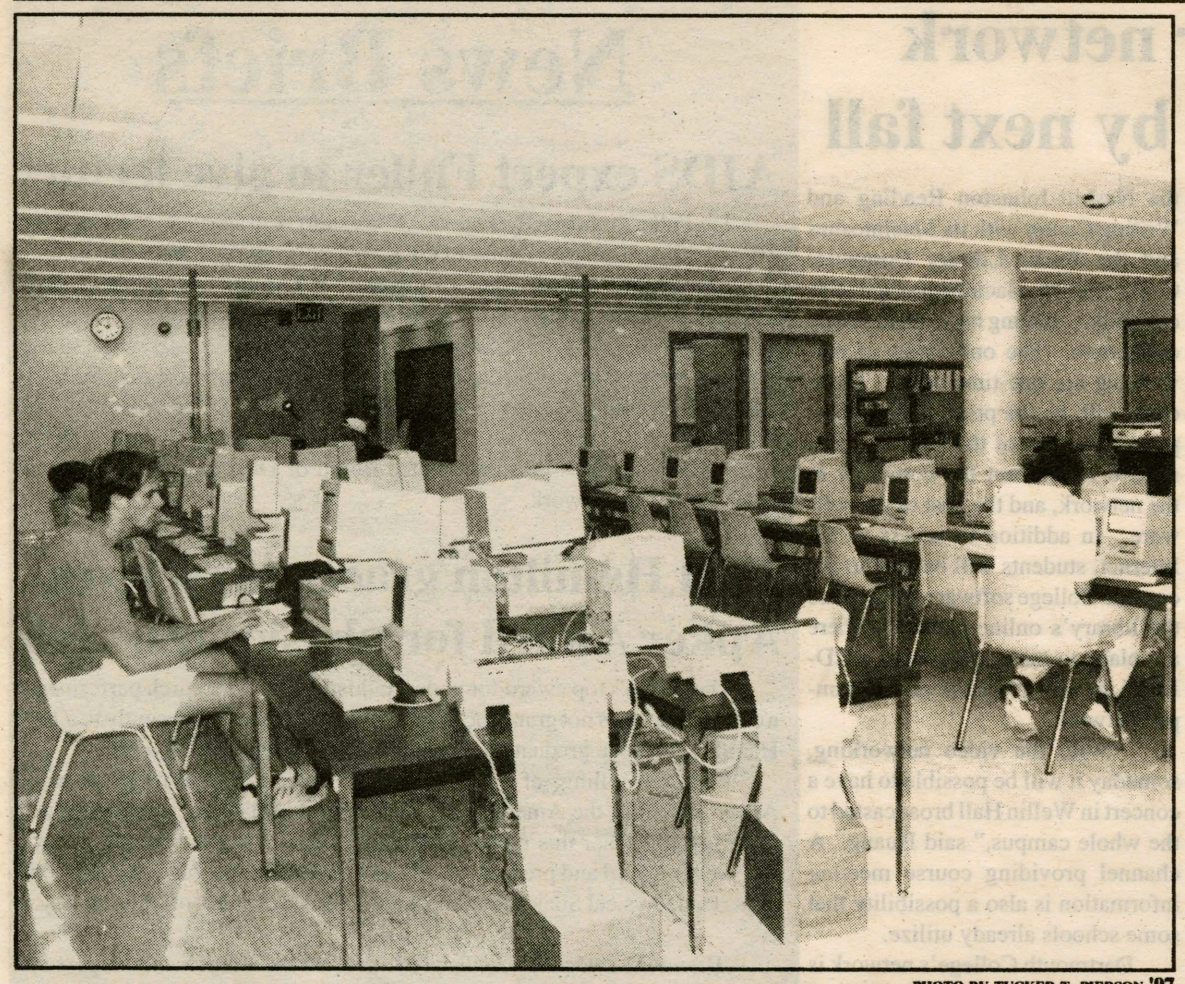

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Once the new campus network is installed, students will no longer have to go to the Computer Center in the basement of the Burke Library to send and retrieve e-mail messages.

Open houses being held early as part of new aggressive recruitment campaign

First of two Open Houses scheduled for Monday

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pressed.

These two Open Houses were planned during the Columbus Day Break for most high school students. This way the students do not have to come in the summer time or at other times when Hamilton students are not present. Prospectives will be able to get a better understanding of Hamilton if they can talk to the students and faculty and just observe what a normal day is like on the campus. This will include attending classes and meals.

In addition to encouraging prospectives, these Open Houses also send out a positive message to the Hamilton community. It shows how hard the Admissions Office is working at recruiting a diversity of students to make Hamilton a better place.

The Admissions Office is also depending on the present students to get involved. Prospectives will want to talk with the students to get their opinions and to find out other information. "We expect people to be candid, straight forward and just have fun with it. Parents and prospectives will see how unique and special Hamilton is", said Fuller, who is in charge of the event.

E-mail network to be installed by next fall

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like Eudora, which every student at Hamilton has the option to use right now. "Requiring that every student buy a computer has not been seriously considered but it could be built into the cost [of attending Hamilton], which would mean financial aid would be available to help with the costs," said Smallen.

The network itself will consist of what is called "twisted-pair" wiring inside each building. This type of wiring is already in use in the Burke Computer Center and the Reading and Writing Center. It is an advance of the wiring in your telephone cord. Each building on the South side of campus will be connected by fiber optic cable, already utilized by phone and data transmission companies world wide, to a special machine in McEwen. The buildings on the North side will connect to the Christian Johnson Building. Between these two machines will be an very high-speed connection. "These high-speed highways will be one-hundred times faster than anything currently on campus," said Smallen.

Blair Hotchkies '97 said, "It's a good thing this network is going to be a hundred times faster since we will probably have a hundred times the usage. The servers we use now are insanely slow and will have to be upgraded after the network is in place."

Hotchkies also points out ways our computing facilities can be better used with the new network in place, "Dartmouth has class syllabi and entire books available on thier network. Some professors require them to hand in papers from the electronic mail system." According to Dr. Smallen, "The effort is really to enhance computing in support of student learning. We are trying to provide a more seamless connection between the academic and residential lives of the students by making it possible to communicate on matters related to learning at times other than class meetings."

Andrew Edelson '97 also foresees more use of the computers for education in the future. "They call it the Superhighway for a reason. It's not called Route 32. As the tools to use the Internet become more user-friendly, people won't be as scared to use the computers."

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Fallcoming set for this weekend

Alumni to perform and sponsor workshops

By Naeem Sheikh '96
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Fallcoming Weekend at Hamilton started yesterday and is in full swing. Alumni presentations in theater, dance and music, along with panel discussions and workshops with students, will be highlights of the weekend.

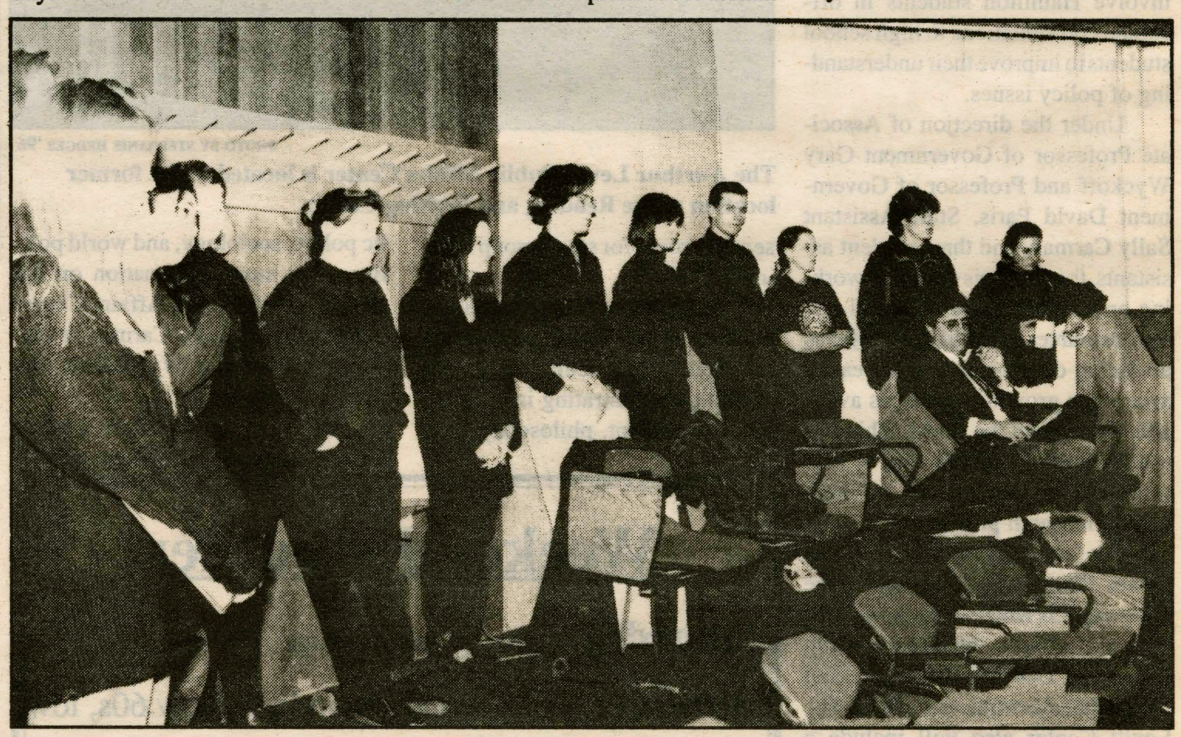
There will be a variety of theater presentations and performances of plays written by Hamilton alumni. *Feeding the Moonfish* by Harry Kondoleon '77 and *Self Torture and Strenuous Exercise* by Barbara Wiechmann Carley '83 will be presented on Friday. Alumni will also perform a staged reading of *Some Americans Abroad* by Richard J. Nelson '72 in Minor Theater on Friday.

On Friday there will be three workshops offered by Hamilton alumni. They will deal with the art of film, acting and stage productions. They are open to the Hamilton community. In addition, there will be panel discussions by alumni on various topics relating to performing arts.

In each panel discussion, there will be six to eight alumni who will each speak on a topic followed by a question and answer session. A total of six panel discussions have been planned for Saturday and all are open to the Hamilton community. According to the Fallcoming schedule sent out to the community by President Eugene Tobin, a total of forty-six alumni, ranging in class years from 1934 to 1993, will be participating in the alumni panel discussions.

A cookout is planned for alumni and students in the Western Quadrangle on Saturday noon to be followed by a home football game against Trinity College at 1:30 p.m. Music and dance performances of commissioned works by various alumni are slated for Saturday evening and an alumni recital of choral, chamber and jazz works on Sunday afternoon will rap up the Fallcoming weekend.

The weekend promises to be an exciting one and the administration hopes that the student body will participate enthusiastically. Tom Brush, Acting Director of Alumni Affairs, said, "It is important to realize that these people [alumni] have been active and involved in performing arts, and the community should participate and find out what they have to say."



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Last night, students protested while representatives of Proctor and Gamble spoke about summer employment opportunities. The protest was in response to continued animal testing by the company.

Trustee meeting to help set stage for final recommendations on Residential Life Survey

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announced Strategic Plan. This plan is aimed at addressing all aspects of college life, including the roles of academics, athletics, and residentiallife in the college experience.

The Committee on Buildings, Grounds and Equipment will issue a report on plans to network all the campus residence halls [see related article on page 1]. The tentative completion date for this project is August of 1995, prior to the start of the 1995-1996 academic year. Also to be discussed are ideas for the renovation of Dunham Residence Hall and the development of the north side of campus. One proposal that will be considered is the extension of Martin's Way beyond its present terminus near the health center. Finally, the committee will review summer programs that are held on Hamilton's campus each summer.

The Admissions Committee, chaired by Chet Siuda '70 will meet with Dean of Admission Rit Fuller who will provide an overview of the admissions program for the coming year. Issues concerning financial aid programs will be discussed along with ideas on how to improve the College's selectivity and the yield, or the percentage of accepted students who choose to attend Hamilton.

The Committee on Student Affairs will hear reports from the Student Assembly on several issues. These will include a report from the Assembly's Constitutional Revision Project team, the Academic Policy Team, and the Social Project Team which aims to sponsor more campus-wide events. The Committee will also be briefed on plans for the creation of the Community Conference Committee which is expected to be composed of representatives from various campus organizations.

The Committee on Student Affairs will also review results of the Recent Graduate Survey while the Budget and Finance Committee will review the auditor's report for the 1993-1994 academic year. The Committee on Honorary Degrees will meet to discuss possible candidates for honorary degrees to be awarded at commencement next May.

The Instruction Committee will not meet during this weekend's meetings, but is expected to convene at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees in December. At that time, it will consider the institution of a language and an oral intensive requirement in the Hamilton curriculum. Grade inflation, ethical issues, and the possibility of increased emphasis on off campus student internships will be discussed, along with ideas generated by the Committee on Academic Policy. This committee is made up primarily of faculty and is chaired by Dean of Students Jan Coates.

Student and faculty views differ sharply on private societies

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Commenting on the vote, O'Neil said, "The overwhelming vote against fraternities sends a message to the trustees. We remain convinced that fraternities have a detrimental effect on student life."

She noted that the vote is non-binding saying, "The faculty vote against fraternities is not a mandate. Rather, it is a beginning stage in how to deal with the problem. [The Residential Life Committee is] nowhere near a decision and there is a lot of opportunity for student input. Fraternities are one piece in many that could be improved at Hamilton College. We are learning ways in which the reputation... can be raised at Hamilton."

Faculty speaks in support of frats.

Professor of Art Rand Carter stood as the only faculty member in attendance to voice opposition to the faculty's vote. "What students do after 4 o'clock is their own business. As long as it does not interfere with classroom activities, the faculty has no business micro-managing."

"I think the debate is misguided," he continued. "There is a lot of negative stereotyping and assumptions about what goes on inside fraternities."

Though a final decision about fraternities is not expected for several months, the faculty vote will likely be a topic of discussion in the meeting of the College Board of Trustees which will be held on campus this weekend.

President Eugene Tobin called the vote "an important statement." He added, "The Board of Trustees is cognizant of faculty views."

Student Reaction

Student views on the faculty vote have been mixed. In the Residential Life Survey conducted last year, less than 20 percent of students said that private societies should be banned.

"I don't see any problems with fraternities," said Max Gray '96.

One student who asked to remain anonymous spoke in favor of the faculty vote saying, "In terms of admissions, I think we'd attract a brighter crowd."

Expressing a similar sentiment, Catherine Hyde '95 commented, "I don't think [the faculty] is saying anything new. From an academic standpoint, fraternities don't help Hamilton, but there are other aspects which need to be considered."

Cary Devorsetz '96 stated, "While the faculty should certainly have a say in the College curriculum, tuition paying students should be the primary ones deciding on how they want to spend their four years at Hamilton."

Student Assembly President McLloyd Onwubere '95 who is a representative on the Residential Life Committee noted that it will not be easy to make a final recommendation on private societies when opinions between students and faculty are split. "I was somewhat dismayed that the faculty took such a strong stance against societies," he said, adding that an alternative to abolishing societies should be considered.

Eli Koppel '98 contributed to this article.

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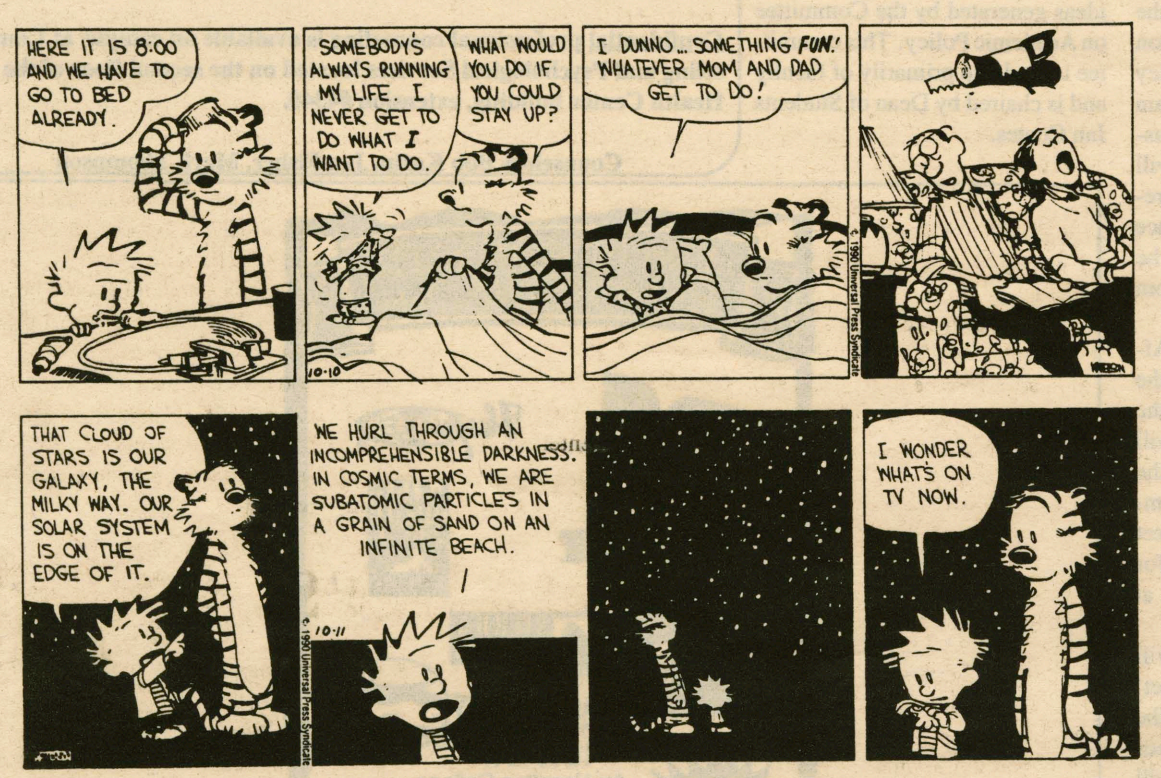
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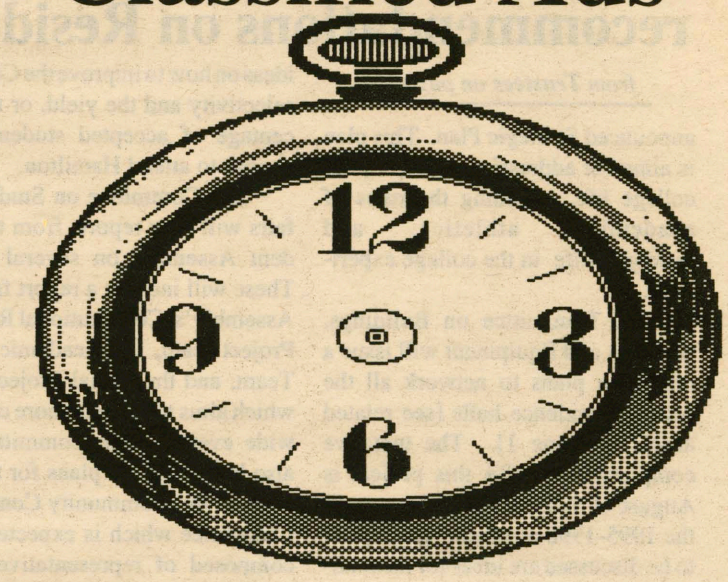

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Alumni in the arts to return to the Hill

By: Hank Arnold '98
Features Staff Writer

During the Celebration of the Performing Arts Weekend, many students and faculty members will be looking forward to meeting successful and talented Hamilton graduates including playwright Richard J. Nelson from the class of '72, professor of music Melinda Wagner '79, and radio personality Joanna Langfield from Kirkland's class of '76. Like many other alums, these three individuals will entertain and educate the Hamilton community with performances and presentations about their careers and their love of the performing arts. While each of them have been influenced by different experiences in life, all agree that attending Hamilton provided motivation and set them in the right direction to achieve quick success and happiness.

Always an avid drama writer, Richard J. Nelson came to Hamilton and found the opportunity to write numerous plays, winning the college's competitive Wallace B. Johnson play writing contest year after year. According to Nelson, his plays were quite successful on campus and were performed in many locations, "From Minor Theater to the steps of the chapel." Finally, Nelson received the prestigious Thomas J. Watson grant, sending him to London for a year of theatrical study. Upon graduating from Hamilton College Nelson, with two colleagues, began a small theater company before one of his plays was recognized by the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles.

Since then, his success has grown significantly and some of his most famous works include the *Killing of Ubinski* and *Some Americans Abroad*, a popular play that Nelson plans to address in his presentation on campus. Also, *Two Shakespearean Actors*, one of his most famous works, received a Tony Award nomination. Presently, Nelson looks forward to the opening of his newest play *New England*, which will open in London in November and will be performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company.

Long before attending Hamilton college, Melinda Wagner developed a love of music that has led to her current career as Professor of Music at Hunter College. At Hamilton, Wagner feels that she received the motivation and inspiration that aided and enabled her to major in music. Especially important to her was the guidance of professor Jay Reise, also a graduate of Hamilton from the class of '72. As Wagner claims, "[Professor Reise] had me listen to music I had never heard before.

Just out of Hamilton, Wagner went to graduate school at the University of Chicago and studied music under Pulitzer Prize winning composer Shulamite Ran. After earning her masters degree, Wagner attempted several jobs and composed music on the side before deciding to attend the music school at the University of Pennsylvania. Currently, Wagner enjoys teaching and looks forward to this weekend's activities and the chance to visit old friends back at Hamilton.

After graduating from Kirkland College, Joanna Langfield moved to Boston and immediately began working as a producer in a radio station. Eventually she moved to New York in pursuit of the same line of work, but instead became host of an entertainment talk show within five years. Next, Langfield joined WABC radio station and made several appearances on New York City's channel 7. Seven years later, Langfield created her own radio network known as Joanna Langfield Entertainment Reports, where she currently works. Today, her radio station broadcasts in all fifty states and a growing number of foreign countries. Langfield also makes frequent appearances on CNN, Hardcopy, and a new network called America's Talking.

Langfield spent her years on the hill performing in Minor Theater and talking on the college radio station. She claims that classes at Hamilton helped her in numerous ways to develop her conversational and listening skills and the methods of "working a passion into a career." Langfield has high hopes for her first visit to Hamilton in more than ten years and will welcome her husband, son, and dog to the campus that "meant so much to [her]."

This weekend should be a successful reunion of many of the great artists who once attended Hamilton and now make their contributions to the world. Hopefully, their contributions this weekend will inspire those students who have similar interests.

FYI: Indian Summer brings out bees, wasps

By: Diann Lynch
R.N.C.C.H.N.

The weatherman is promising us an Indian Summer weekend with sunny skies and temperatures in the high 60's. While this is wonderful news for the football fans, it will pose a problem with the bees and wasps. They are beginning to settle in for the winter but the warm weather will bring them back out. The instability of this kind of weather makes them more irritable and more likely to sting.

Insects sting to defend themselves from real or perceived attacks. Yellow-jackets and wasps are more aggressive and most easily provoked. Because they have smooth stingers, they can sting more than once, especially if they are trapped under or in clothes. The yellow-jacket is the most likely to cause a severe reaction.

Honeybees are more even tempered and usually will not sting unless disturbed. Because their stinger is barbed, it rips away from the bee and remains imbedded in your skin along with the venom sac. For this reason, the honeybee can only sting once and dies soon after.

The venom from a sting contains histamine and other chemical substances that can produce a variety of local and systemic reactions. Local reactions can be as mild as a slight pin prick sensation or redness, and swelling and itching at the site of the sting. If the stinger is present, remove it by scraping off the skin in the direction opposite to its entry. Wash the area with soap and water and apply ice. You can also apply a paste made of meat tenderizer (containing papain) and water to inactivate the venom, and take a oral antihistamine such as Benadryl.

Systemic reactions may include generalized hives, nausea and vomiting, a hot flushed feeling, tightness of the chest and throat and difficulty breathing. These symptoms are life-threatening and need immediate medical attention.

If you are known to be highly sensitive to bee stings, wear a medic alert bracelet and carry an emergency bee sting kit that contains epinephrine. Ask your health care provider about pre-loaded epi-syringes that you can administer yourself.

The best way to prevent getting stung is to avoid areas that attract bees, such as around garbage containers and wood piles. Keep food covered when eating outdoors, especially soda and beer cans. Perfumes and hairspray will also attract bees.

In the United States, more people die from allergic reactions to stings from bees, wasps, hornets and yellow-jackets than from bites from any other venomous animal. Unfortunately, we do not know how sensitive we are until we are stung.

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Slackers provides students with relaxing alternative

By: Doc Monroe '96
Restaurant Critic
with Alan Ginsberg

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I sit by the steamy window and watch the blue smoke from my cigarette swirl to the white ceiling that will eventually yellow because of my bad habit. I look to the book in front of me and crease the top corner to keep my place. All the while my left hand has been searching out the warmth of my mug of coffee. The steam rises to my nose, and just before I take a sip, I can smell the full flavor of the Arabica bean. The reaction of my olfactory organs works to accentuate the taste. I raise my eyes to my companion, and he queries, " Ever thought about the fact that our universe is just a cell, and that we're all nothing more than tiny micro-organisms in the pancreas of some unfathomably enormous giant who has a day job in accounting?" "Yes," I respond, "I have... Ever thought that you were the only real human being on earth, and everyone else are just robots who stop all activity when you're not looking?" "Yes," he replies, returning my intense stare. He moves his bishop to G-1 and puts me in check mate just as a woman refills our French Roast. I stare out the window, howl, and ponder metaphysics.

Whew, it's tough being deep and artsy, but I try.

This paragraph puts in a nutshell my idea of Slackers. Well, okay, maybe I did use a little poetic license in my description. Actually I had to try really hard to write that, and I don't want to give you a skewed description of what I think could become one of the hotspots for our little school. Slackers is a great place to hang out and study, talk, or just chill with a nice cup of hot coffee and a good book. It's run by Alex Jager and Pam Chapell, and its amazing. For those of you who have never experienced a coffeehouse other than the one by McEwen, let me explain. The interior of Slackers consists of tables with backgammon and chess boards. There are couches here and there. The lighting is low, the walls are strewn with original art (some by Pam, the co-owner, and some by Robert McColley, an artist from the area). Occasionally there is live music, but usually people just sit back, relax, and enjoy a nice coffee with friends. Slackers is the epitome of the word coffeehouse. It should also be mentioned that Slackers serves alternative beverages for those who don't like to poison their bodies with caffeine... but I have always been a big fan of masochism.

Wednesdays are spoken word nights when people read anything from poetry to manifestos. Thursdays are set aside for traditional jazz with Andy Seiser on the bones and Sam Burrell on the bass, among others. On Sundays Slackers hosts an open mike night where patrons can perform anything from opera to stand-up comedy.

Now, if all of this sounds too high-minded and snooty for you, GET A GRIP. I hang out there, and I'm an inbred hick from Texas. Anyone is welcome at Slackers. You don't have to be crunch-y, steak-y, brain-y, smelly, or coffee-y. The beautiful thing about Slackers is that when the more different kinds of people that come in, the better the ambiance becomes. And frank-ly, it can be a nice change from the alcohol infested dives that you guys usually hang out in. (Of course, you'll never see me at a bar.)

Slackers is open from around 4:00p.m. till whenever you leave every night except Saturday. Come on down, bring a friend, bring a few. I'll be the one in the corner smoking a butt. I've officially made it my new hang out... but don't let that stop you from coming.

Coffee *** (but they're going to get a better selection soon)
Ambiance *****
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Author's Note: Anyone who is credited as writing "with" Doc may have given Doc an idea for the article. Doc may have used their ideas, quotes, theories, or *words from their poems* in the article. See if you can find Alan Ginsberg's word. (Hint: in the last line of the first paragraph.) Also, see if you can find Waldo.

Positive thinking does have real impact on life

By: Kristine Santoro '95
Peer Advisor

Lack of self-confidence is one of the greatest problems afflicting people today. Norman Vincent Peale, author of The Power Of Positive Thinking, found that in a study of six hundred university students, seventy-five percent stated that their most difficult personal problem was lack of confidence. Any such sense of inferiority and inadequacy only hinders the attainment of our hopes and goals. A preconceived belief that you are not going to succeed at a particular task generally guarantees failure. If you think you're beaten, you are.

Many people allow their true desires and goals to fall by the wayside as they continually choose options that seem safer and easier; fear of failure causes them to take the easy way out. Living a life in this manner – following the path of least resistance – never provides the individual with the experience of an obstacle to overcome, and many opportunities for growth are lost. Letting hardships dominate and determine your live is a pity because you only live once. When you fall victim to worrying over what the future holds, you're letting life pass you by. Stop to smell the roses or before you know it, you'll be regretting the many opportunities that you missed out on. As a friend once said, there is no dress rehearsal for life. Yesterday is gone – never to be experienced again, but today is a one time occurrence so you need to make the most of it.

A life of positive thinking leads to self-realization and successful achievement. Constant negative thoughts can build up into a formidable strength against you. On the other hand, continual reaffirming thoughts will allow you to rise out of any difficulty you may encounter.

In their simplest forms, what exactly are worry and self-doubt anyway? They are destructive mental concepts people make up and acquire through habit. Because you can change your acquired habits, you CAN eliminate them and replace them with healthier ones. You need to re-educate your mind. Vincent Norman Peale, a man famed for his own power of positive thinking, offers rules to kick the habit of worry and negative thoughts:

* Whenever a negative thought comes to mind, deliberately voice a positive thought to cancel it out. Counteract apprehensive, defeating, and gloomy thoughts with faith, hope, happiness, glory, and radiance.
* Do not inflate obstacles by fearful thoughts.
* Do not be awestruck by other people and try to copy them because despite their confident appearance they are often as scared as you.
* Never participate in a worry conversation because a group of people talking pessimistically can infect every person in the group with negativism. Inject some faith into all your conversations.
* Cultivate friendships with hopeful people and surround yourself with those that think positively.
* Help others cure their own worry habit. By doing so, you gain greater power over it within yourself.

By following this negativity-breaking formula, your state of mind can become one of your greatest assets. According to Hugh Downs, "A happy person is not a person in a certain set of circumstances, but rather a person with a certain set of attitudes." A positive attitude can turn your problems into opportunities. Jeffrey Keller, author of the newsletter *Attitude is Everything*, explains how adversity can serve us:

1. Adversity gives us perspective. Once you have recovered from a life threatening disease or are in your senior year having difficulties finding a permanent job, you realize how trivial such matters as lab/quiz grades really are. By putting life into perspective, you realize how silly it is to worry about the little things.

2. Adversity teaches us to be grateful for the many blessings we normally take for granted. People don't usually appreciate something until it's taken away from them. When you have no hot water in your dorm for two weeks, you suddenly value hot water. It is no until you get sick that you cherish your good health.

3. Adversity strengthens us and allows us to discover a reservoir of previously untapped abilities. After surviving a difficult ordeal we emerge emotionally stronger. Obstacles force us to reach beyond our previous capacity and find new sources of strength and courage.

4. Adversity encourages us to make changes and take action. Most people cling to old, familiar patterns no matter how boring or painful they've become. It takes a crisis to motivate yourself to make changes for the better.

5. A problem or difficulty leads us to something better. You don't dwell in geology so you move on to a more interesting major. Your relationship fails and you enter a more satisfying one.

6. Overcoming adversity makes you feel better about yourself. When you finally finish the term paper that you originally lacked the motivation or confidence for, you feel an overwhelming sense of competence and self-worth.

Next time you encounter a difficulty or problem, do not immediately judge it as horrendous. It is actually an opportunity for personal growth. George Bernard Shaw once said "Better keep yourself clean and bright; you are the window through which you must see the world ."

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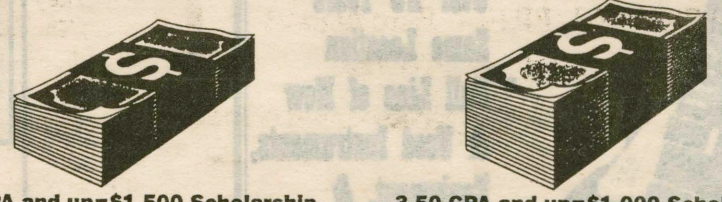
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Attitudes

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Faculty unprofessional approach to societies disheartening

To the Editor:

After recently attending a faculty meeting, I felt that it was necessary to do something that I absolutely hate to do: write. I attended this meeting because it was brought to my attention that a petition stating the faculty's opposition to private societies would be brought for a vote and submitted for the record. Much to my surprise the faculty does talk about interesting issues. I was impressed with the faculty's concern about the student faculty relationship, the overall life on the Hill, and the need for improvement. The faculty discussion about improving academics on campus was also interesting. They are genuinely concerned about the status of Hamilton, and if concern could be measured in U.S. News and World Report, we'd definitely hit the top ten. However, the discussion concerning societies definitely had an impact on me. I was well aware of the fact that the faculty is not in favor of fraternities or sororities. I was not aware that the faculty was so against societies that only one member voted against the petition.

Even as a member of a fraternity, I understand the concern the faculty has with the societies. I attended the meeting because I need to be informed as to where the faculty is coming from, and why they hold the opinions they do. I share with them a common concern about the relationship between students and professors. This letter is not intended to defend the societies to the faculty. It is intended to bring to the community's attention the manner in which the faculty handled this topic (ie. differently from the other topics). When the spokes people began to describe the history, motivation, and need for the petition, the audience was attentive. The faculty listened to them, offering them the respect they deserved during the allotted time for them to speak. It seemed as if the discussion was going to continue as the previous discussions had.

Then the voice of the one member was heard, the voice of the man who was to cast the only "NAY" vote. As he began to share his opinion on the subject, I observed something that I had not expected. Suddenly the faculty became much less attentive. The voices of many members talking among themselves and side conversations began to fill the room. This is a sound that has been heard by everyone on this campus, especially in our classrooms, and may very well annoy professors more than anything. It was a display of disrespect that should bever have occurred at a faculty meeting. The members of the audience did not seem to think twice about what they were doing. He deserved the same respect that every other speaker received, but he did not receive it. The debate ended with the sound of the dinner bell. A faculty member moved for a vote, because the meeting was nearing two hours in length. He didn't move to table the issue, although all sides of the issue had not been heard (or at least listened to). Instead, the faculty decided to vote.

I believe the event was extremely unfortunate. For example, when the faculty was discussing athletics, and the impact of athletics in the classroom, there was serious conversation on both sides. The faculty expressed concern for the athletes as students. The discussion was lively, opinions were flying , and the concern for the students was evident. As an ex—football player I was impressed with the direction of the discussion, and the points raised by the faculty. However, after listening to the faculty's discussion about societ-

please see ***Professor*** page 10

Hamilton needs to end war on practicality

Liberal Arts education should provide tools for success

Oscar Leal

Random Noise

Over the past few weeks I have become acutely aware of a strange Hamilton policy. The administration has declared war on all that is practical. It seems the Hamilton academics believe the root of all evil is practicality.

A couple of weeks ago, a friend and I spoke about his accounting course. He told me the administration pondered eliminating the course because it was "too" practical. We labeled the reasoning "stupid" but thought little more about the topic. However, I was discussing abroad programs with a faculty member when the practicality issue popped up again. I expressed interest in a business oriented program which included internships. As I noted interest both the faculty member and I said, "It sounds too practical to get approved".

I realize Hamilton is a liberal arts college. However, such a school does not have to shun the practical. The pamphlets I received as a high school senior asserted that a liberal arts education provided one with the problem-solving, communication skills, and work ethic necessary to succeed both personally and professionally. That is, a liberal arts education provides the individual with the tools necessary to succeed in many professions. If Hamilton defines liberal arts like this, it would make sense for the college to encourage application of the skills it teaches. I am a junior. Assuming that (by now) I have learned the "fundamental" skills, it would make sense for me to practice applying them. By applying the skills, I (as well as any other junior or senior student) can fine tune them.

Liberal arts and practicality do not have to be opposing views. Historically, it has been the case that the answers to most questions lie somewhere between the extremes. The best kind of education is a liberal arts education with a practical application. Whoever the academics who shun practicality are, I would like to remind you of some important information. While the primary goal of this institution is to educate students, we also have to make a living when we graduate. The school must attempt to prepare us for the "real" world. Preventing us from applying the skills we learn does not prepare us. It reduces our marketability and potential for success.

The Hamilton college catalogue for 1994-95 states the following about a Hamilton education: "This (educational) experience... can be shaped to meet each individual student's interests and aspirations . . . It will be the foundation on which you build a lifetime of personal and professional achievement and satisfaction"(p.11). The catalogue says each student can shape their education to fit their interests. Furthermore, it recognizes the goal of professional achievement. I ask those who waged this war against practicality to end it. In order for Hamilton to abide by its own guidelines (set out in the catalogue), it must cease its campaign against the practical. Allow us, the Hamilton student body, to pursue our aspirations of professional achievement. Create opportunities for us to apply our skills.

(*NOTE -I apologize for the fact that my articles have only been about problems at Hamilton. I think Hamilton is a excellent school with a lot to offer. My articles have been about problems for two reasons. One, the articles have not simply been complaints. They have been constructive. I would like to help make Hamilton an even better place. Two, it is simply the nature of the world. . . "The squeaky wheel gets all the oil")

Faculty blames students for drop in ranking

Andrew Edelson

Dear Abbott

There's always a bomb exploding somewhere on campus. First the report in US News about us dropping off of the small college list, but this second explosion may have a much more devastating effect on the collective student body: Tuesday's Faculty Meeting, and this faculty meeting was as explosive as the Fourth of July. Even though there were no casualties or injuries, there was quite the battle in Dwight Lounge.

The meeting had quite a controversial agenda, spanning from the professor's right of expulsion to the faculty's stance on private societies. One topic that was discussed, as a sort of correlation to the ranking in US News was the academic welfare of the college.

Even though I almost completely disregard the subjective, incomprehensible ranking system US News publishes to make a buck, it does bring up a good question: are we slipping academically, and why?

They Blame the Students

The faculty brought up many possibilities to answer this question. They believed athletics, extracurriculars, and the social scene play a part in inhibiting academics on this campus. And whether we agree, complain, or just sigh, they are righ - to a certain extent.

All of the faculty's blame was directed at the student body. And at least half of these complaints were not constructive, well thought-out complaints. (Because the minutes are not public, I will attempt to paraphrase some of the comments, but keep in mind this was over a week ago). Some Professors complained that sports take obscene amounts of time - the claim 40 hours. That is about six-seven hours a day. To my knowledge, no sport takes up more than four hours in one given day.

At some points in the meeting, professors complained and quarreled as if it was a PTA meeting for the local junior high. Some were saying, "My student can't study because...." Most of these reasons had no place at this meeting and could have been solved with a simple conversation between this meeting and could have been solved with a simple conversation between two students.

Other faculty members stated what they expected from students. Several expectations were quite reasonable, but others were outrageous. After I added up the time they expected for work, meals, sleep, test preparation, class, etc. I had about five hours left for clubs, sports, relaxation, whatever. Five hours a week, no more to spend to myself and whatever "out of class" interests I had. Isn't that a little outrageous?

This brings up another point they made. They believed that students focus too much time on the obsolete "out-of-class" experiences rather than academic areas. They make the argument that much more is learned in the class room than out of the classroom, and they are correct by concluding this, but it can be argued that the information learned out of class is much more relevant to "real life."

So what are the real problems?

As I stated in my first article (which I know you read), I would never just complain; I would at least offer some solutions. So, if the faculty is correct in assuming that Hamilton is dropping academically, what can we do to remedy the situation. Some say we need more homework, and others say to eliminate private societies. Others contend that the subjects taught in classes are too removed from the real world. I cannot support these arguments, but I cannot refute them either.

In order to improve academics at Hamilton, we must attack this situation from various angles. We cannot blame only the students, just as we cannot blame only the faculty.

One important final destination that Hamilton must reach is the point at which academics are not kept within the boundaries of the classroom. They must overflow from the classroom onto the paths and into the dining halls and Beinecke. Academics must fall off of the desk into the rooms and common rooms. This cannot happen by inflicting academics upon the student body. One professor mentioned that when she gave her class more and longer assignments, her class enjoyed it even more. Now I'm not well-schooled in psycho-analysis, but this appears to

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EDITORIAL

Give the proper image of Hamilton to weekend visitors

This weekend, we have hundreds of people coming on campus for various reasons. Trustees are arriving for their quarterly meeting, ready to discuss the myriad of issues that face the college today. Large numbers of alumni will be here to relive their college years, whether it ended last May or five or ten Mays ago. We will also be hosting about 70 high school seniors on Monday for the first of two open houses. Lots of people will be around and there is one big question that we all should ask ourselves. What exactly do we want to be saying about Hamilton at this time? What is the impression we wish to give?

There is one school of thought that says we should show the rosiest picture possible. The school is great, the classes are great and the residence halls are just perfect. That *U.S. News* ranking was just an aberration due to the circumstances beyond our control. This is the same great school that you went to (or it remains the same great school your parents know, depending on who you're talking to). To be perfectly honest, this approach would do more harm than good. Anybody with half a brain can walk around and figure out that things are not perfect here. To state otherwise would be insulting the intelligence of those we are trying to be nice to.

At the other extreme, there are those who believe we should trash the school as much as possible in order to get the necessary changes. Believing that the trustees will make the necessary changes (necessary to whom, we don't know), students will point out every little negative about the school. We have all heard them: Dunham is a zoo and should be condemned; the quality of student has fallen in this decade; societies should be abolished; the food is terrible and it's always snowing (O.K., maybe these should be brought up). Maybe this would help the trustees by telling them our concerns, but these same people would invariably make these concerns known to the prospective students we have visiting on Monday. That will hurt the school in the long run because we will be scaring away students we need. Complaining never has worked; there is no reason to believe it will now.

What we all need to do this weekend is to be honest, but not ridiculous. When we were all little kids, our parents told us that if we didn't have anything nice to say, don't say anything. That statement is too much like the first approach and it will not work. A happy medium between complaining and praising can be found. Point out some of the problems at this school, but also point out that some of the problems are being dealt with. Be sure to mention that this school is not perfect and that there are those here who hate going here. Just be sure to mention that this makes us like every other college in the U.S. The fact that we are willing to admit our problems makes us different and probably better. Well, that and the foliage.

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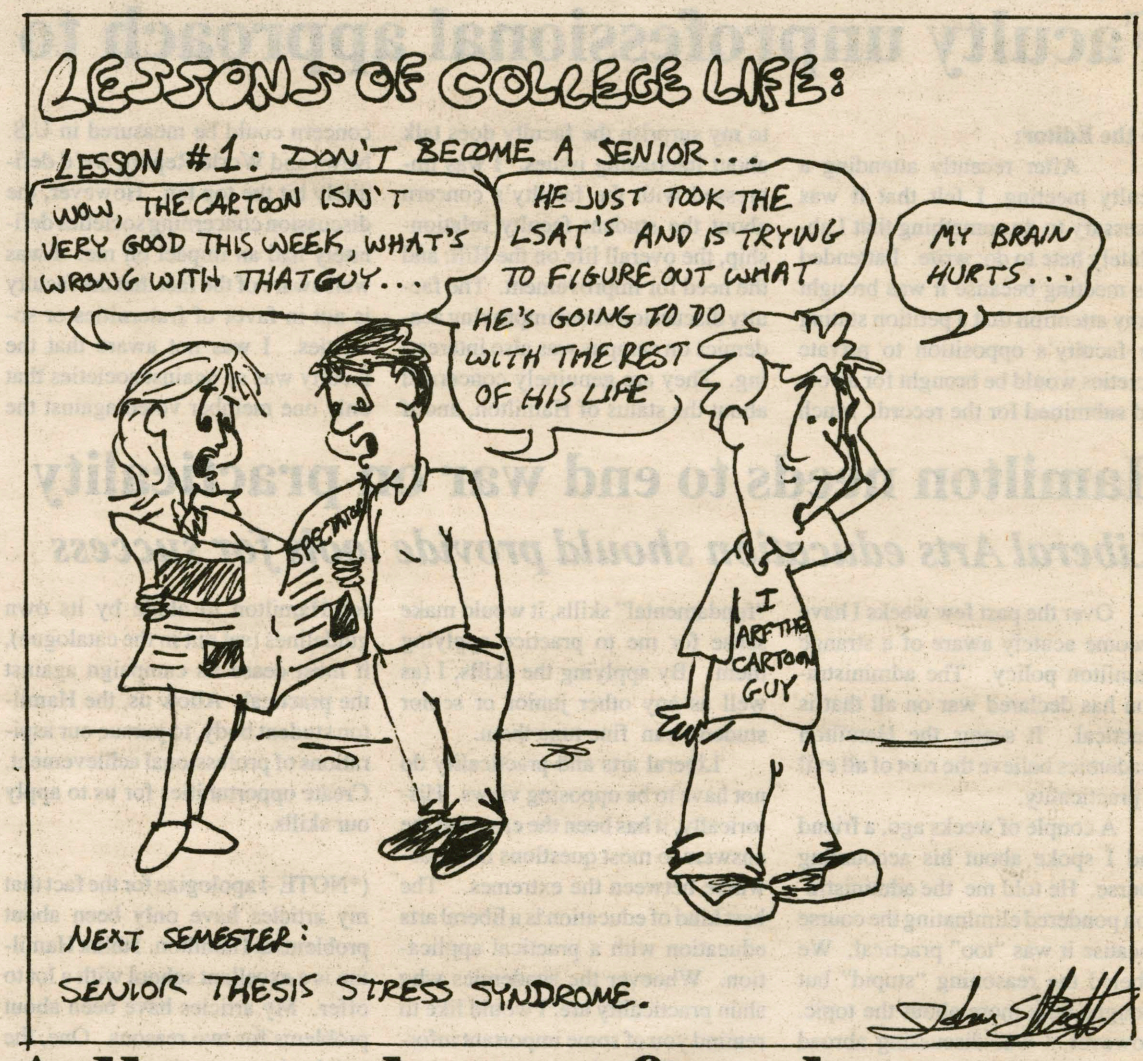
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Adler: a chance for change

To The Editor,

Over the past 30 years, the Adler Conference has brought the Hamilton community together to talk about issues of interest to the college. Through Adler, students, professors, administrators, staff members and trustees can publicly voice their opinions, concerns and frustrations regarding Hamilton College. The Conference provides the campus with a much-needed setting in which communication and debate take place openly, freely and honestly. Many of the ideas and suggestions generated during Adler help bring about positive changes, or serve as guidelines in the formulation and reevaluation of college policies.

It is our aim, as the organizers of Adler Conference 1994, to continue to make available such opportunities for unprohibited discourse on the Hamilton campus. Adler '94 is scheduled for the afternoon of 12 November 1994 and we look forward to participation from all sections of the college community. As in previous years, a keynote speaker will start the conference, and this will be followed by group discussions. Groups are kept small, usually consisting of two group facilitators and about eight participants. This small size ensures that no one is left out of the discussions.

This year's Conference will look at what it means to achieve "excellence" at Hamilton College. We believe Hamilton needs to look beyond its recent disappointing ranking and reevaluate in realistic and critical terms its true value as an academic institution. We must all ask ourselves if the present structure of our community is at all conducive to fostering a quality academic atmosphere. To this end, we must reexamine our academic as well as admission standards, policies and expectations; we must find ways to readjust our social settings so that Hamilton can be a place where intellectual initiative will be the norm rather than the exception.

Beginning Monday, information will be made available to all those interested in helping out as Adler facilitators. Besides leading groups discussions on the day of the Conference, facilitators will also help fine-tune discussion topics by taking part in a "brainstorming" session to be held a few weeks in advance. We hope that many of you will consider signing up as facilitators, and that many more will keep that one Saturday afternoon of 12 November free to participate in the Conference.

Hamilton's future depends on what we choose to do with it today. Like it or not, it is a future that might matter to each one of us some day. Now is not the time for cynicism. We look forward to working with you.

Alan Lee, '95
Jay Hart, '96
Co-Chairs,
Adler Conference 1994.

Professor dismisses student's concern

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ies, it was apparent to me that fraternities and sororities are looked at as separate entities. It seems as if the faculty does not realize we are students too. There was no concern for society members as students. If the faculty is truly interested the students' welfare, I hope they will begin to look at the society members as students, because the results of the residential have the ability to affect the forty percent of students who belong to societies. They must realize that improving faculty/student relationships includes societies.

The final shock occurred after the meeting, and the disappointment, and continue to feel, convinced me to write this letter. I decided to approach a faculty member that I had for one first year classes, and unfortunately have not had since. I hold this professor in the highest regard. I politely asked him to take a few minutes to discuss the situation. I told him I was concerned and wished to learn more about the faculty's attitude toward societies, I was not looking for an argument. I expected my teacher, my mentor, to take the time to chat with me. After all, the door to this professor's office had always been opened to me. I could not imagined that it would be closed now. But it is ... he respectfully declined ... I was speechless.

if the faculty and students wish to become closer academically, socially, and personally, the path my professor chose is a step in the wrong direction. Alienating society members could not possibly solve anything, and it will certainly not bring faculty and students closer together. Hopefully my letter will catch some attention, and let the faculty know that we are, in fact, students; your students. And that will never change, even if you do not agree with societies. Hamilton may not recognize societies in the future, but you must recognize our belief in our respective societies and each other is strong.

Jared H. Bowling '96

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Tour guide harrassment: an unnecessary evil

Poor student attitudes hurt Hamilton prospectives

Bill Murphy

Dead Center

One of the primary means through which prospective students form there opinions about any institution of higher education are campus tours and overnight visits. As campus tour guides, I and my fellow guides, spend a great deal of time and energy trying to show students all that Hamilton has to offer and convincing them that this is the place for them. There is, however, one great downfall to our jobs. In the past two years I have, on several occasions, run into a group of students who seem to actually want to deter prospectives from coming here. This situation has occurred on multiple of my tours an, I have discovered, happens to other guides all too often. These students are apparently so dissatisfied with their Hamilton experience that they are willing to take a stand against a group of men and women who are volunteering their time to help hamilton.

The first time I was accosted I was very surprised. i was giving a tour to two families, and while walking down Martin's Way, the father of one of the two students questioned the role of Greek life on the campus. As I always do when this question arises, I try to be as informative and impartial as possible, while reminding the tour that I am in a fraternity so that they can understand that my opinion may be somewhat biased. As I was explaining the current residential situation here and the role of societies, a young woman began shouting angrily at me.

"He's lying! Frats suck, sorority girls are bitches. They try to rule the campus, it sucks here...etc. etc."

Not only did this woman completely undermine the tours faith in me to give an honest description of Hamilton life, but she also presented herself in a very confrontational way to families who were innocently searching for the right school for their son and daughter. Furthermore, had she given any thought to what she was saying she would have realized that she was not working in her own best interests. The students such ranting will scare away are those uninterested in Greek life. Those who would join societies would not run from a campus that had them.

This however was not the worst incident I have encountered. At least this woman was attempting to further her own political ideology. She was voicing her opinion, and although extremely regrettable, i do not believe she did this out of malice, just dissatisfaction.

On other occasions people passing tours have spoken softly, whispering things like, "Don't come here" or "Hamilton sucks." This is equally harmful, but is not quite as damaging as the type of confrontation I recently encountered. I was giving a tour, and, as we entered the Coffee House, we were ambushed. A team consisting of a visibly angry man and woman started following the tour complaining about the absence of the Coffee House this year and interrupting me every time I tried to continue.

Such a display is an act of immaturity and maliciousness. Why would one feel compelled to try and convince a tour that Hamilton is a "money grubbing, rich boy school"? Don't they have anything better to do? There a variety of ways through which one can express one's opinion, and operate for change at Hamilton. I would think that telling people not to come here is the least of them, and the most retroactive. Nor were isolated incidents. Other tour guides have experienced very similar scenarios.

Tour guides do not lie to their tours. We try to be honest and objective while portraying Hamilton as best as possible. This is not always an easy task, but it is made all the more difficult, even unbearable, by students who should probably shut up, pack their bags, and transfer. When confronted by these little activists, the guides must continue smiling and try to salvage the tour. Meanwhile they can go home and feel good about themselves for ruining another person's view of Hamilton and making a volunteer job a little less enjoyable. We do not say that Hamilton is paradise. We acknowledge that there are problems, but also try to say why we love it here.

If you don't love it here then work for change. If you think change is impossible, and you find it so hellish here, then leave. I'm sure there are other schools that could make you happy or at least provide you with some other easy targets for you misplaced anger.

If we could, we might well return your catcalls, boos, and hisses, but we can't, and I'd like to think we're above such behavior. If you feel the need to yell at tours, please think twice. You're an embarrassment to yourself and to this institution, and you're in the overwhelming minority. Many students have problems with aspects of Hamilton, but almost none are asinine enough to shout after tours and discourage others from coming here.

Recent killing reveals Mexico's volatility

This is part of a series of articles written by members of Hamilton on Latin America (HOLA). Although this column is devoted to the opinions of HOLA members, it does not necessarily reflect the views of the organization as a whole. HOLA meetings occur every Tuesday at 4 in the CJ Browsing room and are open to all interested students and faculty.

Baird Juckett

HOLA

After an all-too-short period of relative stability, political violence has once again hit Mexico. This time it took the form of the assassination of José Francisco Ruiz Massieu, the secretary general of the long-ruling PRI party. The official was shot once in the neck as he was sitting in his car. Massieu, who had also served a term as the governor of the state of Guerrero, was a close advisor of the current president, Salinas de Gortari, and was expected to play an important role in the administration of President-elect Ernesto Zedillo. Massieu was recently elected to the country's legislature and many had hoped that he would help salve the political lesions that have plagued his party and the country in recent years.

This incident marks the second time this year that a prominent PRI member has been murdered. The first slaying took the life of the party's presidential candidate, Luis Donaldo Colosio, in late March. After an inquiry characterized by legal inconsistencies and investigative omissions, the Colosio case was put on indefinite hold, and, like many other controversial cases in Mexico, will likely never be adequately resolved.

Unlike the Colosio case, in which the forces behind the crime were either too careful or too untouchable to be named, two prominent party members have been identified as conspirators, one a congressman, the other a former federal official who is currently incarcerated on corruption charges. Investigators believe, however, that the plot may extend far beyond these two men, involving the powerful interests of the country's pervasive drug-trafficking forces, or the dirty dealings of the PRI's anti-reform sectors.

The complex questions that this incident raises regarding the forces that were behind the powerful official's murder once again expose the ugliness that has come to pervade the Mexican political system. Sixty-five years of complete PRI dominance over the nation has resulted in a system torn by official corruption and the widespread power of undemocratic forces. The story of Abrahán Rubio Canales, the jailed official implicated in the conspiracy, illustrates the extent to which this societal disease has spread. Canales, who had been a campaign manager and appointee of Mr. Massieu during his stint as the governor of Guerrero, apparently resented the leader for failing to come to his defense when he was implicated on corruption charges and sentenced to 14 years in prison. Apart from his probable political connections, the suspected conspirator is also thought to have ties with drug traffickers in his home state of Tamaulipas.

Whatever the motive of the killing, whether it was for personal revenge, or rooted deeper in the political and criminal workings of the country, this incident demonstrates that the pivotal August presidential elections did not end the dangerous volatility that has afflicted Mexico's attempts at democratization. Massieu's killing is yet another revelation of the difficult obstacles that the country will have to overcome to gain the democratic system for which leaders have, at least rhetorically, been striving. Although only these two assassinations have been prominent enough to merit widespread coverage in this country's fickle media, they are by no means atypical of Mexican political norms. Politically motivated murder and civil rights violations, usually accompanied by an underlying current of official corruption, have been widespread in the country, particularly the recent years of "liberalization."

Although President Salinas has very successfully promoted an image of stability and democracy in his pursuit of international investment, the reality of Mexico has remained very different. As we have seen by the nation's continuing disintegration, rhetoric will not solve its grave political problems. Instead of suppressing and hiding Mexico's strong popular forces, as has been the norm since the PRI consolidated power in 1929, the government must adapt and open itself to these demands. The pressures that such authentic democratizing groups such as the Zapatista rebels in Chiapas must not be allowed to subside. However, if such tactics as political violence continue unabated, these pressures will tear the country apart, resulting in a disaster that will eclipse the Haitian experience, not only in violence and complexity, but also in the potential for an inundation of refugees.

Major changes did not result from the August ballot, which many thought would mark a turning point in Mexico's political development. Nonetheless the country remains on the brink of transformation, whether this will provoke disaster or stability remains to be seen, but it is clear that, whatever the outcome, it will impact both sides of the border.

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Student Assembly Platforms. Elections are in Beinecke on October 19 from 10 AM -4PM

Appeals Board Rep.

Justin Harberson

My name is Justin Harberson. I am seeking a position as representative on the Appeals Board. The reason I am running is to bring an even-keeled and honest perspective to a position that requires open-mindedness. I believe that I have the ability and personality to fit this mold.

Class of '95 Class Rep.

Rick Johnson

Hello, my name is Rick Johnson. I would like to be the senior class representative to the student assembly. For three years, I have sat by and allowed the student government to shape my life, and the lives of my classmates. I can sit no longer. It is time that someone represent our class with charisma and vigor. I will stand by my convictions, yet I am not afraid of compromise. I am currently a captain for the senior gift campaign, as well as a member of the senior week committee. Remember, on election day, vote for Rick Johnson.

Katherine Quick

Hello, fellow members of the Class of 1995! I am aware that the position of class representative requires a great deal of time and effort. However, I cannot think of a better cause that I would like to invest time and effort in, than the organization and planning of our senior year activities. Senior year should be one of the best years of our lives, but as a class, we need to do what we can to make that possible. I am determined to apply high standards for myself as a representative for our class.

J-Board Rep.

Tama Benson

My name is Tama Benson. I would like to serve on the Judicial Board as a representative of the class of 1995. There are no "campaign promises" that I can make, except to offer the assurance that I would try to be an impartial and constructive member of the Board. Faced with senior year, and graduation, I regret not having become more involved with the formal aspects of life at Hamilton. I believe that I would be an excellent J-Board member because I possess the necessary qualities of honesty and reliability, but most important, because I care about Hamilton.

Jennifer Johnson

After two years serving on Student Assembly, I am running for a position on the Judicial Board. I have also worked for the Sexual Harrassment and Grievence Board. I know how important it is to be logical, fair and unbiased. It is my hope to serve on the Board in a most capable manner and I believe I would do so extremely well.

Todd Hargreaves

Hello, my name is Todd Hargreaves and I would like to be elected as the class of '95 Judicial Board Representative. The J-Booard is an integral part of the Hamilton Community. As a member, I would hope to maintain its integrity and respect. Also, my decisions will be fair and just, and will try to benefit both the school and its students. I would appreciate your support and your vote.

Class of '96 Honor Court Rep.

Matthew Hicks

Hi, my name is Matthew Hicks. I wrote this "one-hundred" word platform so that the students of Hamilton College would know that I want to be a member of the Honor Court. Two positions remain for Juniors. It amazes me that these positions have not already been filled! The academic quality of Hamilton depends on the confidence that is put in students and their work. Freedom of unproctored and take home exams illustrate the trust that the college places on students' academics. If positions remain for Juniors, we are not doing enough to insure our responsibility to academics!

Bill Murphy

Fighting for truth, justice, and the American way, I, Bill Murphy, arrive on the Honor Court scene to proclaim mercey and righteousness. I believe that the Honor Cort should be educational and not punitive, with the best interests of all students involved as the primary concern. I can guarantee that as the class of '96 representative, true justice will prevail, not some collegiate version of the death penalty. As a firm believer in the Honor Code, but also in the Hamilton community, I am the best person for the job. Bill Murphy, the name you can trust.

Bill Robb

Hi, my name is Bill Robb and I am running for Honor Court representative. I am seeking election because I believe the Honor System and Honor Court are an important part of student government here at Hamilton. I think most students view integrity, impartiality, and trust as necessary values in an intellectual environment. I am a hard-working individual who would embody these qualities as your representative. I can only hope to have the privilege of maintaining the fine, upstanding academic tradition for which Hamilton College is widely recognized. Thank you.

Emily Valle

I was disappointed to have missed the previous deadline for Honor Court Representative candidates (I didn't see the flyer until it was too late) and I feel lucky to have this second opportunity. I am a fair but fundamentally honest person who believes that the honor code is an integral and crucial aspect of a Hamilton education. I served on a similar committee in high school and am aware of the challenges. I have been involved with Hamilton in various capacities, such as Features Editor of the Spectator last semester, and I am eager and qualified to represent our class.

Class of '98 Class Rep.

Niisha Butler

As Judicial Board Representative for the first year class, I will ensure that all of the student's rights are preserved and protected. I will also make sure that the student's perspective is always expressed and recognized at Court. I am an honest, dedicated and assertive person. Especially, when it comes to the rights of others.

I have served as Student Council Representative (Chair. of Ed. Committee) and Chair of Public Relations (Social Studies Honor Society) in high school.

I am qualified for the job because of my previous experiences, receptive personality, and strong views for a just society.

Jim Halter

My views are brief and simple. A person should be held responsible for his or her actions. A clear enforcement of this policy will greatly reduce judical violations. If a person knows ahead of time that he or she is going to be held responsible for all of his or her actions, he or she is a lot more likely to think twice before committing an act against the Hamilton Community.

Jason Osborn

I am Jason Osborn and I am seeking the position of Judicial Board Representative for the class of 1998. If elected, I will see that justice prevails at all J-Board hearings. I favor sanctions that give back to our college community over penalties that only seek to punish the convicted. Community service can make our college a better place to live and learn, whereas other sanctions are narrow in scope, aiming only to correct the wrongs of one individual. For the mutual good of our college community, vote for me, Jason Osborn for Judicial Board Representative.

Improving Academics

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be a classic case of effort-justification. (When you give someone more work, with the same or less reward, they will tend to justify the amount of work by feeling more pleasure then before.)

A problem that currently exists is the gap between students and faculty. The irony is the Dean of Faculty, Residential Life, and a slew of others are trying to decrease, eventually eliminating, this gap. But there two crucial elements missing: students and faculty. Very few faculty members take advantage of sitting in Commons or McEwen with a handful of students, discussing what ever pleases them. Some of the faculty contest that they offer very flexible "office hours" in attempt to bridge this gap, but these hours are called office hours for a reason. If academic learning is to extend to out of classroom, the faculty must talk to students on grounds much less formal. These office hours in faculty offices further divide the learning in–class with the out–of–class experience. After all, Hamilton brags about how much interaction students have with professors out of class.

But its not only the fault of the faculty; students must be held accountable for the drop in the level of academics at Hamilton. The out–of–class experience will never succeed, no matter how much energy is exerted by the faculty, if there is no effort by the student body to learn.

Faculty complain that students come to their classes and fall asleep in the back row. They complain that some students begin their weekend on Wednesday night, ruining the rest of the week for many others. They complain that many students come to class unprepared. For the most part, they are right (even though they love to exaggerate). Students must realize that we are here to primarily to learn, not to play sports and be politically active.

I can only thinks of one remedy for this end of the problem. Students must prioritize; school comes first on all occasions, work–study second, and all other activities fall third. Athletics are not the primary cause of Hamilton, and they shouldn't be yours either.

Students cannot disregard academics. Faculty must not blame students and then refuse to act. Only together can we truly improve the academic quality of Hamilton.

Procter and Gamble performs unnecessary animal testing

To the Editor:

On Wednesday evening I joined a group of about twenty Hamilton students who were protesting against Procter and Gamble because of the cruel and unnecessary tests which the company performs on live animals. The "scientists" in Procter and Gamble's labs put their products in live animal's eyes, down animal's throats, and on their shaven skin. The supporters of animal testing claim that the tests are necessary in order to protect their consumers and to ensure the safety of their products.

The tests are not necessary. Plenty of methods for testing products exist which do not employ the use of animals. Two such tests are the Eyetex and Skintex tests. In these processes, substances are taken from vegetable sources that mimic the reaction of the human eye or human skin when exposed to foreign matter. Many companies, such as Avon, Revlon, Norelco, Tom's of Maine, and L'Oreal have employed the use of non-animal testing methods and continue to put out new, profitable products. How can P&G claim that animal tests are necessary?

Further, how can P&G claim that the tests protect consumers? The fact is that the tests are inaccurate. The physiology of non-humans is far different from that of humans. A product that tests safely on rabbits could have entirely different effects on humans. In fact, after "proving" a product's safety and putting it on the market, P&G had to recall the product because of a fear that it would cause toxic shock syndrome. If animal tests were accurate, the company would have known the effects of their product before putting it on the market and endangering the health of their consumers.

At P&G's meeting on Wednesday evening, I listened to representatives of the company speak about how much they care for their consumers. The above information indicates otherwise. Concern for their consumers is not the only value that the company contradicts in practice. P&G also claims to be concerned about the issue of animal testing. The company claims to be pushing to reduce their use of animals, while recently in California they lobbied against legislation that would outlaw the Draize Eye Test. This is one of the most cruel tests performed in their labs on non-humans.

I also listened to the P&G representatives speak of the character of the company. Their character supposedly embraces integrity, concern for the consumer, and other positive qualities. Unnecessarily torturing animals in order to put a new type of soap on the market does not reflect positive qualities.

Procter and Gamble is one of the largest corporations in the world. They make everything from Tide to Head and Shoulders to Crest to Pringles. They are a business and are primarily concerned with one thing: making money. P&G does not care at whose expense they make that money. They treat animals as if they are unfeeling machines; as if we are so distant from them that they do not feel pain as we do. Animals are living, sentient beings. A failure to treat them as they deserve, with equal consideration to their needs and feelings, makes one as guilty of oppression as the racist, the sexist, the heterosexist, or any other perpetrator of oppression. Our status as members of the human species does not give us the right to exploit members of other species.

I ask you if you truly desire to take part in a company such as Procter and Gamble, either by working for them or through buying their products, while they torture our innocent fellow creatures and contradict the principles they claim to stand for. If you would like further information about Procter and Gamble's policies toward animal testing, about alternatives to their products, or about animal rights in general, you can contact me through campus mail.

Dennis Merrick '95

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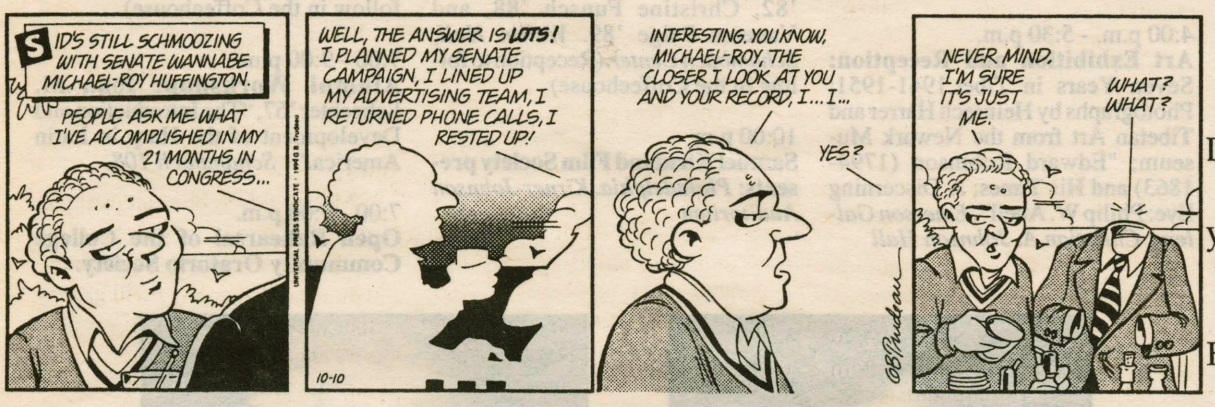
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PEOPLE ASK ME WHAT I'VE ACCOMPLISHED IN MY 21 MONTHS IN CONGRESS...
WELL, THE ANSWER IS LOTS! I PLANNED MY SENATE CAMPAIGN, I LINED UP MY ADVERTISING TEAM, I RETURNED PHONE CALLS, I RESTED UP!
10-10
INTERESTING. YOU KNOW, MICHAEL-ROY, THE CLOSER I LOOK AT YOU AND YOUR RECORD, I... I...
YES?
NEVER MIND. I'M SURE IT'S JUST ME.
WHAT? WHAT?
BY THE WAY, MICHAEL-ROY, WHAT'S THE DEAL ON THE CRIME BILL? I HEAR YOU VOTED BOTH FOR IT AND AGAINST IT!
TRUE...
THE REASON I DID THAT IS BECAUSE IT TURNED OUT THAT SOME VOTERS WERE FOR IT, AND SOME AGAINST IT!
10-11
YOU SEE, SID-JOHN, I'M INTO INCLUSIVENESS! IT'S PART OF MY LIFE-FORCE! I WANT TO BE A SENATOR FOR ALL THE PEOPLE!
UH-HUH. WHO THOUGHT THAT ONE UP— MINISTER GET-A-LIFE?
SHE HELPED WITH THE FINAL WORDING, YES.
SID-JOHN, YOU'RE PROBABLY WONDERING—WHO IS THE REAL MICHAEL-ROY JR.? WELL, HE'S A FELLAH WHO FEELS PASSIONATELY THAT ELECTIVE OFFICES ARE FOR SALE!
M-R
I BELIEVE IN THAT MESSAGE! IN FACT, DURING MY HOUSE CAMPAIGN I SPENT $80 FOR EVERY VOTE I GOT— JUST TO GET THAT MESSAGE OUT!
NOW, THERE WILL BE CYNICS, DOUBTERS WHO SAY A SENATE SEAT CAN'T BE BOUGHT. BUT I'M OUT TO PROVE THAT THEY'RE WRONG, WRONG, WRONG!
10-12
GOOD FOR YOU! SAY, COULD I HAVE MY 80 BUCKS UP FRONT?
SURE! WHERE'S MY WALLET BOY! HEY, KID! OVER HERE!
SO WHAT'D YOU THINK OF MICHAEL-ROY, SID? ISN'T HE THE NICEST?
I GUESS. BIT OF AN EMPTY SUIT, THOUGH.
WELL, I THINK THAT'S SO ARI-ANNA-JOHN CAN WEAR IT. THEY SHARE EVERY-THING!
10-13
WHERE'D YOU MEET HIM, ANY-WAY?
ON THE BEACH. HE'D JUST MOVED IN FROM TEXAS SO HE COULD REP-RESENT US...
HEY, Y'ALL! WHERE'S THE OCEAN?
UH..., TO YOUR LEFT. THE BLUE THING.
REALLY? YOU KNEW MICHAEL-ROY DURING HIS EARLY CALIFORNIA YEARS?
SURE! WE GO ALL THE WAY BACK TO 1992!
"WE HIT IT OFF INSTANTLY..."
SO AFTER I CASHED OUT OF DAD'S COMPANY, I HAD TO DO SOMETHING! SO I BOUGHT A HOUSE IN CALIFORNIA!
10-14
I DIDN'T ACTUALLY MOVE IN— THE TAX SITUATION WAS TOO PERFECT IN TEXAS — BUT MY WIFE WENT OUT TO ESTABLISH A BEACHHEAD! THEN AT THE LAST MINUTE, I JOINED HER AND BOUGHT A CONGRESSIONAL SEAT!
M-R
WOW! YOU SOUND LIKE A MAN WITH A DREAM!
MORE LIKE A SCHEME. LIKE MY CAN-DOR? IT'S MY WIFE'S IDEA.
YOU KNOW, MICHAEL-ROY, I FEEL LIKE I KNOW YOU FROM SOME PLACE, PERHAPS FROM ONE OF MY OTHER LIVES.
REALLY?
YES. YOU WEREN'T ALIVE IN 15TH CENTURY PATAGONIA, BY ANY CHANCE, WERE YOU? OR IN SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, DURING THE RECONSTRUC-TION?
10-15
UM... WELL... THIS IS A LITTLE EM-BARRASSING TO ADMIT TO A FELLOW NEW-AGER.
WHAT? WHAT IS IT, MICHAEL-ROY?
WELL, I'M NOT SURE I EVER HAD A FORMER LIFE!
GOSH! WELL, ARE YOU HAVING ONE NOW?

Personals

Women's Rugby-

Good luck this weekend. KART!

-Everyone

Dear Josh-

Had a wonderful weekend in Vermont, even if you did forget the camera.

-Love Leah

Hunter-

Where O' where were you Thursday night? I missed you.

-Your lover bunny

Peaches-

Hello again, beautiful. CONGRATULATIONS! You are so wonderful. GET PSYCHED for tomorrow (day and night). Thanks for putting up with me and all the crazies this week. I love you!

-Muffin

Sal-

What are you thinking? (Nothing) What time is it? (8:30) Spontaneous smile!

-Your K. Cuz. PT

NJAB-

Look ahead when you walk, keep your head above water, and smile!

-Lush

Louisiana Girl-

I need them grits!

-Ted

Shoe-

Remember to smile. I love you.

-Sock

Dearest Sweetpea-

Rumplestiltskin (lumpy rumpus that he is) will be galumphing on home in blissful oblivion while we spark the silver knobbies and bridge the gap! O, to truly be a tadpole! Remember the Alamonkey!

-Scrumptiously yours, Snifter Monkey

Please send personals to The Spectator through campus mail.

We need you.

Celebration of the Performing Arts Weekend

Friday, October 7
4:30 p.m.
Alumni Theatre Presentations. Plays by Harry Kondoleon '77 & Barbara Wiechmann '83. *Events Barn.*

7:30 p.m.
Samuel Kirkland Film Society presents: ***Philadelphia.*** *Kirner-Johnson Auditorium*

8:30 p.m.
Alumni Theatre Performance: Some Americans Abroad, by Richard J. Nelson '72. *Minor Theater.* (Reception to follow in Dwight Lounge)

Saturday, October 8
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Registration. *Emerson Lobby, Athletic Center*

9:00 a.m.
Alumni Panels:
"Creative Pros" Jay S. Reise '72, moderator. *Schambach 201.*
Christine B. Funsch '89, Marc Robinson '84, Melinda J. Wagner '79, Drew S. Krause '82, Damian F. Slattery '80, Barbara Wiechmann '83, Richard J. Nelson '72, Deirdre Towers K'73.

"Making it Happen" Linda Katzin Barry '84, moderator. *McEwen 104.*
Charles "Obie" Bailey '50, Cassandra Harris-Lockwood K'74, Rebekah A. Sassi '91, Carl F. Bergmann, Jr. '76, Sherry L. Keith '89, Stephen B. Soba '76.

10:30 a.m.
Alumni Panels
"The Performing Arts and Electronic Media" Joanna Langfield Rose K'76, moderator. *Schambach 108.* Kevin J. Burns '77, William S. Gaden, II '84, Rachel S. Weiss '93, Stephen W. Flores '74, Robert S. Kinkel, Jr. '79

"The Artists Behind the Scenes" Thomas W. Creamer '72, moderator. *List 106.*
Barbara A. Hughson '90, Craig Sonnenberg '76, David D. Zimet '75, John M. Schecter '67, Melanie Sutherland '79, Stephen A. Zorthian '77, Susan Shopmaker K'78.

12:00 noon
Cookout. *Western Quadrangle.*

1:30 p.m.
Football vs. Trinity. *Steuben Field.*

1:30
Alumni Panel: ***Building a Career as a Performer"*** William G. Roehrick '34, moderator. *Minor Theater.* Margaret Klenck K'75, Deborah P. Massell '80, Constance C. Rafferty '88, Paul Kogut '88, Grayson J. McCouch '91, Joel Swetow '73, Melissa Stern Lourie K'77, Vanessa J. Paige '88

3:00 p.m.
Alumni Panel
Is There Art after Graduation?" Diane M. Van Ness K'75, moderator. *Events Barn*
Rhonda A. Bugg K'77, Melanie R. Hayden '86, Jennifer A. Pease '85, Trevor R. Drake '75, Jacqueline M. Maloy '84, Kathleen Smith K'74, Amy E. Fleming '84.

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Art Exhibition and Reception: Seven Years in Tibet, 1941-1951: Photographs by Heinrech Harrer and Tibetan Art from the Newark Museum; "Edward Robinson (1794-1863) and His Times; A Discerning Eye: Philip W. Abell". *Emerson Gallery, Christian A. Johnson Hall*

8:00 p.m.
Alumni Music and Dance Performances. Commissioned works by Jay Reise '72, Richard Lloyd '73, Melinda Wagner '79, Drew Krause '82, Christine Funsch '88, and Vanessa Paige '89. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* (Reception to follow in the Coffeehouse)

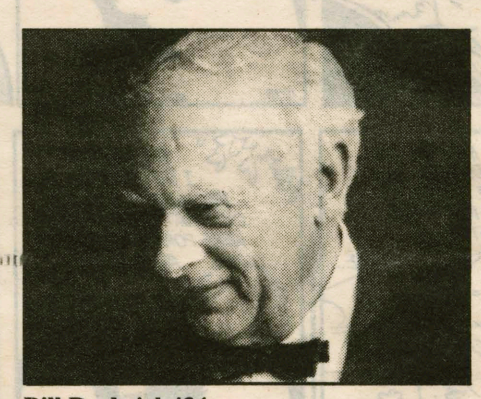
10:00 p.m.
Samuel Kirkland Film Society presents: ***Philadelphia.*** *Kirner-Johnson Auditorium*

Sunday, October 9
2:00 p.m.
Alumni Recital: Solo, Brass Choir and Jazz Works. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* (Reception to follow in the Coffeehouse)

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Alumni Workshop: John M. Schechter '67, "The Introduction and Development of the Harp in Latin America." *Schambach 108.*

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Open Rehearsal of the College Community Oratorio Society.

Deirdre Towers K'73



Bill Roehrick '34

Where the movies are... by Adeline Cook '95

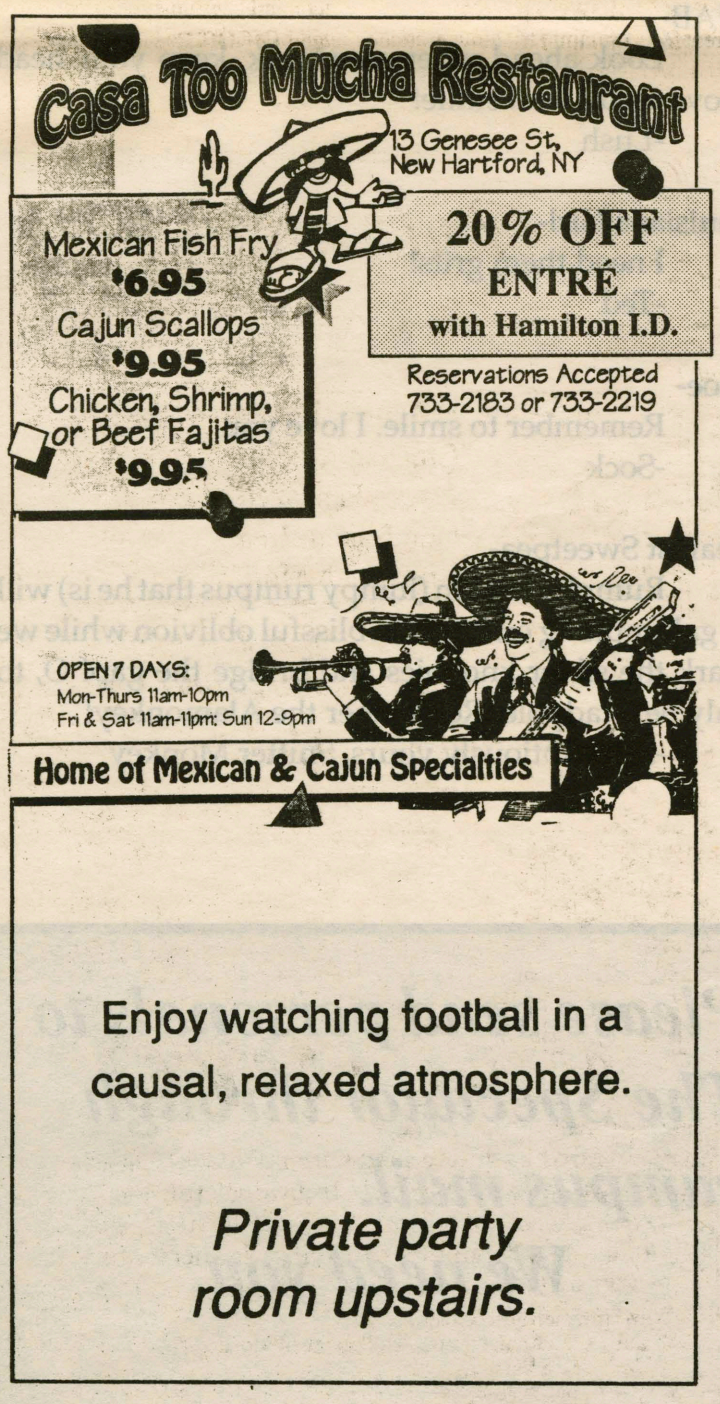
This week's snazzy-dazzy featured movie is *TimeCop*, a new action adventure film starring Jean-Claude Van Damme. The film is set in 2004 and will probably become one of those sci-fi films we laugh at in ten years, but for the present it is quite enjoyable. The plot is based on time travel, for which the technology has finally been created. This creates numerous problems as corrupt citizens begin to change the past to their advantage. As a result, the government creates a classified police force to ensure the sanctity of our present. This is where Van Damme comes in.

But the real surprise is that America's new action hero plays... guess what... a "timecop" fighting against evil. Van Damme uses his usual martial art's skills to his advantage (and the viewer's pleasure) in policing the world. One interesting plot twist is his wife's (Mia Sara) murder in 1994, an event which our timecop later tries to prevent using his 1994 self and his 2004 time-travelling self, leading to some rather confusing events.

I must admit that the plot in this film is excellent and I found it to be one of the most compelling action films recently produced. The character development for Van Damme is also quite extensive, a rare feature for an action film. However, some of the special effects were disappointing and unimaginative. I kept thinking, "hey, haven't we gone beyond the Star Wars laser-beam-thing yet?" Also, the film basically centers on Van Damme as other characters are often unaware of his actions due to the nature of his work. For example, when Van Damme saves the world (come on, I'm not spoiling anything, you knew it would happen) no one is even aware they were ever in danger, as the villain was eliminated (by our hero) before he ever entered a position of power. So, the plot can become intricately intertwined and actually can make your average Hamilton-educated Joe think about what's going on.

All in all, a great film. It should satisfy the testosterone need for action, murder, suspense and sex, while still being romantic, gripping, and Van Damme-based for the more feminine viewers. Enjoy the show.

Plot ****
Casting***
Special Effects/ Staging**
Date Potential*1/2**



American Patriot Gallery opens in Clinton

American Patriot Gallery, a new art and antique gallery that will exhibit American Art from 1750 to 1900, opened September 1st. in Clinton. The gallery, at 41 College Street, is located a few steps from the village green, across from Blue Fox Books, en route to Hamilton College.

The new gallery features art related to New York State and American history, and present works showing life in the Colonial, Revolutionary and Federal period. Works of art depicting American presidents and distinguished American men and women will also be exhibited. American portraits, landscapes, marine and sporting paintings and genre scenes will be shown in future exhibitions at the gallery.

The gallery owner, Lori Ciancaglini, a former director of the Calder Estate at Knoedler Gallery in Manhattan, was previously a private art dealer and advisor in New York. Although involved in the contemporary field for five years, Ciancaglini has specialized in 19th-century American and European Art for the past ten years. Her new gallery will concentrate on American art from the early 19th-century when she says, "American artists depicted the country as fresh, green, tranquil and innocent. The decades before the Civil War were a time of growth and optimism, and this is reflected in the American landscape paintings and genre scenes of that time."

The first exhibition at the American Patriot Gallery features prints of George and Martha Washington, 1840 engravings by William Bartlett depicting Utica, Albany and the Erie Canal, a 1900 photogravure of a Hopi Bride by Edward S. Curtis, and botanical and bird studies from the 1830's. Antiques on display include a New England one-drawer stand circa 1830-1840, and an 1890's New Hampshire Sheraton-form sofa. The gallery carries small gift items such as teacups, coasters, notecubes, handmade candles and other early American decorative items.

The American Patriot Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 am to 6 pm and on Sundays from 12 noon and 4 pm. Inquiries can be made at 853-1612.

Arts&Entertainment

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All you need to know about our alumni visitors

Charles C. "Obie" Bailey '50
Obie began his theatrical activities with the creation of *My One and Only* starring Tommy Tune and Twiggy and has been involved in producing several other shows.

Edwin Barrett
Who among those privileged to participate could ever forget those winter term trips to London with their fabled 20 plays in 20 days? His retirement after 37 years took a lot of color and drama from the Hill.

Linda Katzin Barry '84
Juilliard Orchestra, responsible for live broadcasting for the New York City Marathon, has Linda as its associate production manager.

Carl F. Bergmann, Jr. '76
His compositions include works for chamber, chorus and orchestra. He sits on the Board of Directors of a community concert series.

Kevin J. Burns '77
Award-winning filmmaker, college professor, and commercial artist, Kevin is executive producer and vice president of production for Foxstar Productions, a film and video production unit of Fox Television.

Thomas W. Creamer '72
Among his translations and adaptions are Ibsen's *Hedda Gabler* (Siri Senje co- translator) for the Guthrie, Mark Twain's *Roughing It* and Theodore Dreiser's *Sister Carrie*.

Trevor R. Drake '75
Director and stage manager, Trevor is currently chairman of the English department at the Shipley School in Bryn Mawr, PA.

Amy E. Fleming `84
Producer and Performer in *Two in a Million*, Amy is employed by Prentice Hall developing CD-ROM programs for the classroom.

Stephen 'Tuna' Flores `74
Tuna has done just about everything since graduating. He has been a creator of a multi-media company and a director of film and video in countries such as India, Peru, Britain, Korea, and Japan. He is a published author by *Newsweek* and *Penthouse*.

Christine Barton Funsch '89
Christine, the first student awarded a Senior Fellowship in dance, spent her senior year creating a full-length work, *The Waves*, which was an adaptation of Virginia Woolf's novel by the same name.

William S. Gaden, II '84
Following graduation, Bill worked for Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company. He has recently taken over as vice president, Operations and International, BMG Kidz/ BMG video.

Melanie R. Hayden '86
Worked as a stage manager at the Juilliard School and as an assistant production supervisor at the Second Stage Theatre.

Barbara A. Hughson '90
Her work at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester included the design and implementation of group therapy for patients. She is currently a Health promotion consultant.

Sherry L. Keith '89
Assistant to the director of the Yale Opera Program at the Yale School of Music, having previously interned at Heinz Hall for the Performing Arts in Pittsburgh.

Robert S. Kinkel, Jr. '79
Chief executive officer of Stellar Productions. Included in his credits are work for The Who, Hall and Oates, MTV, Aerosmith, Nickelodeon, Diet Coke, McDonalds and A Current Affair.

Margaret Klenck K`75
The intriguing Edwina Lewis on the ABC-TV daytime drama, *One Life to Live*, Margaret won critical acclaim for her leading role in *Hard Choices*, a film about juvenile crime.

Paul Kogut '88
Paul's future plans include an appearance at New York's Town Hall with Spider Saloff and a trip to Russia as a guest of the Moscow Jazz Association.

Drew S. Krause '82
Drew has produced over 40 works for electronic tape, solo instruments, chamber ensembles, and orchestra since 1983. He teaches at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Melissa Stern Lourie K`77
She lived in Paris after graduation. Producer, she spent her last season at HVSF acting in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. She teaches acting at the University of Vermont.

Jacqueline M. Maloy '84
Jackie acted in new plays by Jeff Weiss, Paul Bernstein and Barbara Wiechmann '83. Currently a senior editor for *Wiggle Works*, a series of electronic books for beginning readers.

Deborah P. Massell '80
Deborah made her Hamburg State Opera debut in 1986. While on full scholarship at the Fontainebleau Summer Music School she won the highest honor, the Nadio Boulanger Award, for her numerous chamber music appearances.

Grayson J. McCouch '91
A theatre major at Hamilton, and licensed private investigator, Grayson currently appears as Morgan Winthrop on the soap opera *Another World*.

Richard J. Nelson '72
Richard's plays include *New England* (to open next month at the Royal Shakespeare Company in London), *Columbus and the Discovery of Japan* (RSC), *Some Americans Abroad* (RSC and Lincoln Center Theatre).

Vanessa Paige '88
Co-founded the Choreographer's Asylum, an organization dedicated to showcasing the works of emerging choreographers.

Jennifer A. Pease '85
Stage manager, house manager and technician for Washington, DC, area professional theaters, and has acted with many different theater companies.

Constance C. Rafferty '88
Co-founder of the Greenwich Shakespeare Company, Constance has appeared in Off and Off-Off Broadway shows in New York.

Jay S. Reise '72
Jay is the composer of the opera *Rasputin*. He has received major commissions from the Syracuse Symphony, the Long Island Philharmonic, and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra.

Marc Robinson '84
Marc is the author of a book about contemporary playwrights, *The Other American Drama* and the editor of *Altogether Elsewhere: Writers on Exile*

William G. Roehrick, Jr. '34
Known nationwide as Henry Chamberlain, a star of the long-running soap opera *The Guiding Light*. His acting career includes many Broadway and Hollywood performances.

Joanna Langfield Rose K`76
Joanna is known for taking the celebrity interview to another level with probing looks at celebrities' insights, rather than just their latest projects.

Rebekah A. Sassi '91
In service to patrons with visual impairments, she has conducted sensory seminars and provided on-line audio description for several Playhouse productions.

John M. Schechter '67
John has taught or lectured at Hamilton, Syracuse University, the University of Texas at Austin and the University of California Santa Cruz, where he presently resides.

Susan Shopmaker K`78
An independent casting director in New York City, Susan began casting promos and videos for MTV. She now casts independent movies, theater and national television commercials.

Damian Slattery `80
When not writing plays or films, Damian can be found in the bylines of *Sports Illustrated*. He has also worked as a free-lance copywriter and scriptwriter.

Kathleen Smith K`74
Free-lance floral designer and involved with the Stables Art Center. Her work can be found in the Taos Traditions Gallery, the Buffalo Gallery, and Thomas Babeor & Company in LaJolla, CA.

Stephen B. Soba '77
Steve has worked in the independent film community since 1977. He has served as a film panelist in determining grants for the New York State Council on the Arts.

Craig Sonnenberg '76
Craig is a Boston-based costume designer who has been designing professionally since 1980. This fall Craig's company is costuming five national tours for Chamber Theatre Productions.

Melanie Sutherland `79
Melanie trained as an actor, stage manager and director, finally focusing her energies on the latter activity. She has subsequently directed over 75 productions.

Joel Swetow '73
Joel has directed *Twelfth Night*, performed the title role in *Tartuffe*, portrayed Shylock in *The Merchant of Venice*. He has recurred on soap operas and co-starred in several films and television movies.

Deirdre Towers K`73
Along with her many administrative jobs, Deirdre has performed and written many scripts and productions. She has also been published in *Dance Magazine*, and *Ballet International*.

Diane M. Van Ness K`75
Created a dynamic trial law practice in South Florida. Her "presence" in the courtroom has led her to becoming a legal commentator for Court TV.

Melinda Wagner '79
Melinda's orchestral, chamber, and vocal works have been performed by such ensembles as the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Denver Symphony Orchestra.

Rachel S. Weiss '93
Rachel worked the year following her graduation as a curatorial assistant at the Museum of Television and Radio, and is currently pursuing a master's degree at New York University in film studies, with a focus on video and production theory.

Barbara Wiechmann '83
Barbara has pursued theatre in downtown Manhattan since graduating from Hamilton. She is a 1993 finalist in the Jane Chambers National Playwriting contest for women.

David D. Zimet '75
David worked as a free-lance bassoonist in New York City before moving to Israel where he played with the Galilee Symphony and the Israel Chamber Orchestra.

Stephen A. Zorthian '77
Steve has worked as a supervisor for the TKTS Booth, auditioned for character and ethnic types, stage-managed Off-Off Broadway, and stage-managed touring and Broadway shows.

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Calendar & Movies

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7 *Friday*

3:00 **Chemistry Seminar.** "Magnetic Resonance Imaging: A Chemist's Perspective." Professor Joseph Hornak, Rochester Institute of Technology. Room 112, Chemistry Building.

4:30 **Celebration of the Performing Arts: Theatre.** Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.

7:30 **Film: Philadelphia.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. *$

8:30 **Celebration of the Performing Arts: Theatre.** Minor Theatre.

8 *Saturday*

8:00 **Celebration of the Performing Arts: Music and Dance.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.

10:00 **Film: Philadelphia.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.*$

9 *Sunday*

11:30 **Community Church** (Protestant). Janna J. Roche, Chaplain. "Not by Bread Alone." Chapel.

1:00 **Newman Mass** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

2:00 **Historical Tour of the College by William J. Ferguson.** Meet at the Chapel.

2:00 **Alumni Recital.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.

4:00 **Gallery Talk.** Hermine and Jay Williams. Introduction to the Edward Robinson Collection (First Valedictorian at Hamilton.) Chapel.

7:30 **Film: Philadelphia.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.*$

8:00 **Robinson Lecture Series, #1.** "The Deve;pment of Biblical Geography." Dr.J Maxwell Miller. Chapel

10 *Monday*

10:00 **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.

4:15 **Presentation.** "HIV Prevention and the Catholic Church." Father John Fuller, MD. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building.

4:15 **Lecture.** "Gardening in the Tropics: Poetry and the Social Historian." Olive Senior, Dana Professor of Creative Writing, St. Lawrence University. Physics Auditorium.

6:00 **Japanese Table.** Room 108, Schambach Center.

9:00 **Central Council of Student Assembly Meeting.** Student Conference Room, Bristol Campus Center Basement.

11 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

2:00 **Syracuse University and Western New England College Law Schools.** Career Center.

5:30 **Chinese Table.** Room 104, McEwen.

7:30 **General Electric Group Meeting.** Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building.

8:00 **AAUP Journal Club Lecture.** "Felix Ravenna, Indeed! The Development of an Archbishop's Residence, c.300-1300." Maureen Miller. Assembly Room, Bristol Campus Center.

12 *Wednesday*

10:30 **Peace Corps Representative.** Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.

7:00 **Simply for Sophomores.** Room 217, Couper Hall.

7:30 **Film and Discussion.** Sponsored by Hillel. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building.

8:00 **Comedian-Speaker:** Gail Hand. Co-sponsored by the Campus Activities Board and GLBSA. Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.

13 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

7:00 **Know Thyself.** Sponsored by the Career Center. Room 222, Kirner-Johnson Building.

8:30 **Acoustic Coffeehouse.** Carol Noonan (former singer-songwriter of "Knots & Crosses") with special guest Jen Shankman '94. Sponsored by the Campus Activities Board. Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.

Welcome to all alumni and prospectives!

MOVIES

Sangertown 797-2121

The River Wild 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
Jason's Lyric 12:50 3:50 6:50 9:25
The Scout 1:10 4:10 7:10 9:35
Terminal Velocity 1:05 4:05 7:05 9:50
Time Cop 1:20 4:20 7:20 10:00
Natural Born Killers 12:45 3:45 6:45 9:20
Forest Gump 12:30 3:30 6:30 9:30
Clear and Present Danger 12:40 3:40 6:40 9:40

Milk Money 12:35 3:35 6:30 9:15

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

The River Wild 7:00 9:15

Up Town 797-0020

Andre 7:00 9:30
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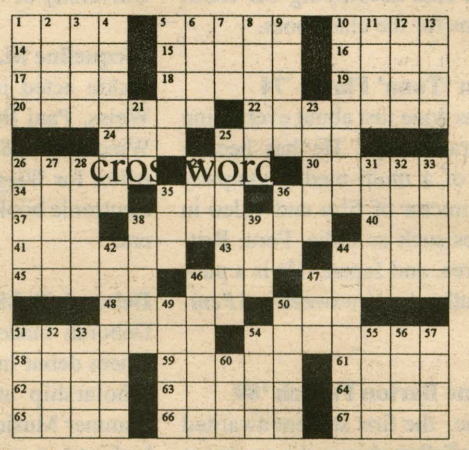
On Campus

Philadelphia

Matinees are for weekends only.
Clinton Cinema has only Saturday matinees

Crossword 101

" Name Dropper " By Gerry Frey



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10 Ill mannered child
14 Medicinal plant
15 *George or T.S.*
16 Repurchase agreement:Abbr.
17 Boxer Spinks
18 Church official
19 Dollar bills
20 *Peggy & John*
22 *Ted & Tina*
24 Hesitating sounds
25 Boundry
26 Vocation
29 *Fleetwood* ___
30 Prevent
34 Depend
35 *Mr. Chaney*
36 Crave
37 Black bird
38 *Columnist Ann* & family
40 *Ms. Fabray to friends*
41 Repressed
43 CIA predecessor
44 Play players
45 Perspire
46 Explosive
47 Boxes
48 Abominable snowmen
50 Cardiac arrest first aid
51 *Actor Leslie*
54 *Sam or Whitney*
58 Norway's capital
59 Rose oil
61 Great Lakes state
62 Bambi, e.g.
63 Teacher's note:2 wds.
64 Egg holder
65 Theological schs.
66 Sea eagles
67 Observes

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1 Of great height
2 The sheltered side
3 Promptly
4 *John or Caroline*
5 Adolescents
6 Building wings
7 Center
8 Lyric
9 Pluck the guitar
10 *Emily & Charlotte*
11 *Descartes or Russo*
12 Imitator
13 Throw
21 Pay dirt
23 Takes the bus
25 *Actor Michael & family*
26 Snares
27 Rejuvinate
28 Skirt type
29 Blues day:Abbr.
31 *Ms. Louise & Ms. Turner*
32 Obliterate
33 Leases
35 Once around the track
36 Hosp. needs
38 Stringed instruments
39 Approx.
42 *Zachary & Elizabeth*
44 *Johnny & Kit*
46 Dyer
47 Computer need:Abbr.
49 Taunt
50 Apple residues
51 Dozes
52 Understanding words
53 Grammar sch.
54 Harness part
55 "Of ___ I sing"
56 French river
57 Negative words
60 Perfect score

Quotable Quote

" A good name, like good will, is gotten by many actions and lost by one. "

Lord Jeffery

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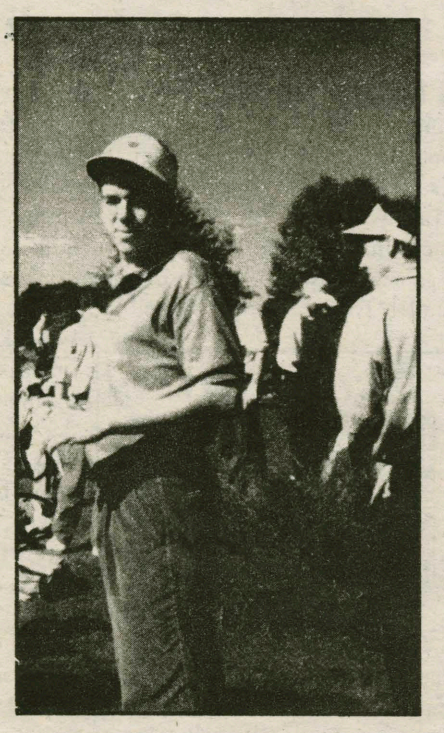

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Mark Fedorcik

Career Statistics:

4th place in NESCACs

This past weekend in cold and windy weather at Middlebury the Hamilton golf team faced off against other rivals in the annual NESCAC two-day tournament. Senior captainn Mark Fedorcik led the Continentals the second day with an impressive score of 78. His two day total of 160 placed him fourth overall, six shots behing Middlebury sophomore Mark Belliveau's 154. The previous weekend was led by Fedorcik's two-day total of 155. The Continentals shot their best scores of the year placing twelfth out of sixteen teams against on of the strongest fields in any primarily Division III Tournament. Congratulations Mark, you are The Garden Cafe's athlete of the week!

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OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Mike Rahmer and Scott Milleisen

Mike Rahmer and Scott Milleisen continue to be a dangerous tandem from the Continental backfield. Milleisen totaled 131 yards offense on Saturday, while Rahmer accounted for 70 yards and the Continentals' only touchdown of the afternoon. In two games, the have accounted for 67% of Hamilton's yardage and all but on of the team's touchdowns.

Women's soccer posts impressive wins against Oneonta and Clarkson

By Katie Scovin '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

With a previous record of 4-5, Hamilton women's aoccer reached the .500 mark with a win in Thursday afternoon's match against Clarkson. The game completed a seven game, fouteen day stretch with five wins. On Monday, Jessica Corr-Bolender '96 stopped seven shots in a 2-1 win against Oneonta with Kerri Goldberg '97 scoring on a pass from Heather Bruce to secure the win. Corr-Bolender picked up her first career shutout on Friday in the Potsdam 1-0 win as Christina Robeson '97 scored her seventh goal of the season.

Thursday's game started off right as Clarkson scored the first Blue goal. After a short debate about whether the goal actually entered the goal, Hamilton was awarded the first of its six points. Not content with letting Clarkson do all the work, #16 , , Meg Jones '96, with an assistance by #9, Wendy Phillips '96, scored Blue's second goal. At this point, Clarkson was still shut out.

The second half, the more physical of the two, saw more action at both goals. The ball seemed confused about its identity as it bounced out of the goal only to be returned by #19, Christina Robeson. Jen Judson succeeded in scoring goal number four and continued the onslaught as she assisted both Robeson and Heather Bruce '97, in scoring the Continental's fifth and final goals.

Each of Clarkson's three goals were scored during the second half.

The Continentals will next be seen battling St. Lawrence in Canton on Saturday, October 8.

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This Week in Hamilton Sports

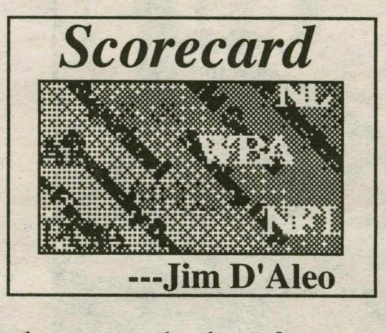
Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Soccer		St. John Fisher 1:00 pm			University of Rochester 4:00pm		
Women's Tennis			William Smith 12:00 noon		Binghamton 3:30 pm		
Women's Soccer		St. Lawrence 1:00 pm					
Men's Golf							
Field Hockey	St Lawrence 4:00 pm	Scranton 1:00 pm					
Volleyball	Oneonta Tournament 5:00 pm	Oneonta Tournament 5:00 pm					
Football		Trinity 1:30pm					

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Arizona: the last one standing?

NFL: Atlanta and the **Rams** really played a interesting game this week. An 8-5 score does not inspire visions of greatness. A safety, a field goal, a touchdown and an two-point conversion. No matter what else you may say about the game, at least you can say it had it all... Everybody in Wisconsin is going to remember one little fact about football this week: you can't win if you can't kick extra points. A bad snap kept the accurate **Chris Jacke** from kicking the extra point that accounted for **Green Bay's** one point loss to New England. An extra point is like a free throw in basketball, there be no reason to miss it... The NFL is in the midst of the same realignment problems Major League Baseball was in a couple of years ago. I understand why teams would not want to give up on old rivalries, but you have to ask yourself whether having the **Arizona Cardinals** in the East and the Atlanta Falcons in the West makes any sense whatsoever... After reading about **Steelers** cornerback **Rod Woodson** talk about his play this season, you realize that he is what an athlete should be. He feels that he isn't playing up to his normal standards this season and he blamed, get this, himself. He didn't blame the new rules on bumping after five yards, even though he probably has a right to. No, he just blamed his own play. You've got to love the fact that there is at least one non-whiner in the NFL... Let me get this one straight. A few weeks ago, the **Oilers** defensive team was complaining that the offense wasn't getting the job done. Now safety **Marcus Robinson** claims that the defensive line and linebackers are not doing their jobs, forcing the secondary to make too many tackles. I think all of the Oilers should realize one thing before they get into another fight; this 1-4 team just plain stinks. The offense is horrible and the defense is terrible. They should just learn to accept it and deal... Why does **Dan Dierdorf** continue to speak on "Monday Night Football"?



NHL: Are the NHL owners purposely trying to destroy the game of hockey? Postponing the season for at least two weeks could result in the NHL losing all of the gains they have made in the past few seasons. The Players Association offered not to strike for the whole season if the owners promised not to lock them out. The owners' great reaction was to lock the players out now. Not only is this strike going to hurt the game, but it will hurt all the newspapers in the country as well. You have to figure with hockey and baseball gone and football only played once a week, what reason will there be for sports fans to buy a newspaper?...

NBA: Basketball's version of Steve Howe is back. **Roy Tarpley** was reinstated this week after being banned from the league for three years due to drug policy violations. He will supposedly resign with **Dallas**. He's been with the Mavericks for his entire career and he ended up getting kicked out of the league. Does he think that there might possibly be a connection or does he believe that since he won't be the go-to guy, the pressure will be off? Just wondering...

MLB: Is it mandatory for teams to fire their managers at times when baseball should be played but not? **Hal McRae** was fired despite the fact that he got the **Royals** on a winning streak before the strike that put them only a couple of games out of the playoffs. **John Oates** was canned even though his **Baltimore Orioles** were in second place in the AL East. Let's not forget **Butch Hobson**, who was fired from the **Red Sox**, just because he had terrible players. Owners have no clue what is going on on just so many levels... Former pitcher **Bill Lee** would be a great commissioner. When asked if he would be an honorary commissioner for the Canadian Intercollegiate Baseball League he said, "Sure, as long [as] you don't have a designated hitter, you use wooden bats and you don't play on Astroturf." Called "Spaceman" when he played, he would be an improvement over the present rulers of baseball. We have been saying for years that the owners must not be from this planet, at least with Lee we'll know we're probably right. Best of all, we won't care...

NCAA: The game of the season will be October 29 when **Nebraska** hosts **Colorado**. I think it's a guarantee that both teams will be undefeated at this point and Colorado has come up with big wins over **Wisconsin**, **Michigan** and **Texas** in consecutive weeks. While this game will be the most interesting, it luckily will not decide the national championship. **Florida** and **Florida State** will play each other on November 26 and **Penn State** plays Michigan this weekend. The funny thing is that *Sports Illustrated* could be right in picking **Arizona** to win it all. The current top five teams could conceivable beat each other up, leaving Arizona at number six and playing almost nobody. They may win based on being the only undefeated team left at the end of the season... The problem with the above scenario is whether Nebraska will even be in the national championship hunt by the end of October. Another blood clot was found in the knee of star quarterback **Tommie Frazier**. He is definitely out for the rest of the season. If Nebraska can keep up the good season without him, they should get the national championship on general principles.

Beat the "Experts"

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NFL					
San Fransico at Detroit 10/9	San Fransico	San Fransico	San Fransico	San Fransico	Detroit
Miami at Buffalo 10/9	Buffalo	Buffalo	Miami	Miami	Buffalo
New Orleans at Chicago 10/9	Bears	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	New Orleans
Kansas City at San Diego 10/9	Kansas City	San Diego	Kansas City	Kansas CIty	San Diego
Washington at Philadelphia 10/9	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Washington
Minnesota at NY Giants 10/10	NY Giants	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	NY Giants
NCAA					
Florida State at Miami 10/8	Miami	Miami	Miami	Florida St.	Miami
Notre Dame at Boston College 10/8	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Boston College	Notre Dame	Boston College
Michigan St. at Michigan 10/8	Michigan	Michigan	Michign	Michigan	Michigan St.
Oklahoma St. at Nebraska 10/8	Nebraska	Nebraska	Huskers	Nebraska	Oklahoma St.
Texas at Oklahoma 10/8	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Texas
New Mexico at \Hawaii 10/8	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	New Mexico

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Golfers take second place at the NESCAC tournament

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The Hamilton Golf team continued to show improvement as it placed second in the NESCAC Golf Championship, playing this past weekend in cold and windy weather at Middlebury. The NESCAC Tournament, previously played in the spring, was moved to the fall for this season to allow Bates, Bowdoin, and Colby, which do not play spring golf, to participate.

Amherst and defending champion Williams were the pre-tournament favorites, and the first day's play found Amherst leading with a score of 320, just five shots ahead of second place Williams. The Continentals, led by s Mike Saber's '97 78, which placed him second in the individual competition, were in third at 332. Windy weather and low temperatures sent scores soaring the second day. Amherst was able to shoot a respectable 328, but only Hamilton and a surprising Trinity squad were able to stay close, while Williams' 350 placed them well out of contention. Amherst's 645 two day total put them well ahead of Hamilton's 665, which tied the Continentals for second place with Trinity. Middlebury finished third (670), followed by Williams, Tufts, Colby, Bates Bowdoin, and Middlebury.

Captain Mark Fedorcik '95 led the Continentals the second day with a 78. His two day total of 160 placed him fourth overall, six shots behin Middlebury sophomore Marc Belliveau's 154. Mike Saber was in contention for the lead through 27 holes, but two disastrous drives on the tenth hole that each landed out of bounds ruined his chances to win the individual championship. Two first-year players, John Whitwell and Jeff Dickman, and John Kowolzcik '96, also new to intercollegiate competition, survived some difficult holes, and kept their games under control to contribute to the Continental success.

The previous weekend, led by Fedorcik's 77-78, the Continentals shot their best scores of the year but placed only twelfth out of sixteen teams against one of the stongest fields in any primarily Division III Tournament. Skidmore's powerhouse shot an outstanding 285-280, highly competitive scores at any level of intercollegiate golf, to win by a broad margin against the rest of the field. Hamilton's total of 632 would have placed in the top half of the field in most tournaments, but the Williams field, including most of the nationally ranked Division III teams in the East, was just too strong for the relatively young Continental team. In addition to Fedorcik's strong performance, Mike Saber (79-78), John Whitwell (76-85), Jeff Dickman (86-80) and Darren Fuller (83-81) also played competitively against some of the best players in the region.

The team's strong showing at NESCACs gives them a winning record for the regular season. (39-36 in six tournaments.) They hope to continue their improvement when they attempt to qualify this Friday at Saratoga for the ECAC Championship, the major golf championship of the Norteast and Middle Atlantic regions.

Football even at 1-1

*From **Football** on page 20*

ing attempts by Wesleyan. "It was an overall team effort- everyone is doing their part," added Coach Frank.

One key difference between the Continentals of '93 and '94 is an outstanding attitude throughout the team. "[The players] are very positive about the school and the program. They know they can't cut any corners to winning," said Frank. The recipe for Hamilton's recent success is hard work and dedication.

What does the future hold for the Continentals? They will host Trinity on Saturday, October 8th. Trinity was undefeated (8-0) in 1993, finishing first in the New England Small College Athletic Conference. "Trinity is a very tough team, a good hitting team. The [NESCAC] league is very competitive." remarked Coach Frank. Trinity is 1-1 this year, with a loss to Williams. It marked their first loss in fifteen games.

"We would love people to support our team this Saturday," said Coach Frank. With an up and coming team facing the best NESCAC football team on Fallcoming weekend, the Continentals should have a good crowd this Saturday.

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Men's soccer rebound from a tough start winning four straight

Men's soccer has learned how to win PHOTO BY ALICIA W. DAVIS

By Dale Pabst '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

As in many recent years, the Hamilton Men's soccer team started out slow and the fate of the season was up in the air. However, since the dissapointing loss against Williams, the Continrntals have come out firing and haven't stopped to count their victims.

They've won their last five games in a row, making their chances for a spot in the ECAC tournament a distinct possibility. The team seems to have come together, and their confidence has grown with each win. Captain Terrence Olcott '95 noted "Our team is playing very strong in each game and seems to be improving. One of the things that have us on a winning streak is our composure and our character."

Olcott was very pleased by the great turnout against Skidmore two weeks ago, especially from a large group of student hooligans tailgating up on Griffin Road.

Forward Baran Tekkora '96 scored twice and Mich Mathers '96 hit the back of the net once to put away their first victim.

In their second game against Utica Goalie Alex Hening '95 chalked up a shoutout while Ke Sagnia '97, Mike Calawa '96, and Olcott '95 netted goals. This win gave Hamilton their first winning record of the season and didn't look back.

In their game against Hobart the Continentals came out early with Ke Sagnia '97 putting Hamilton ahead. However, just before halftime, Hobart retaliated to tie the score. The game remained tied for most of the second half when with fifthteen minutes left Brendan Forrest '98 put away the winner.

A lot of tension was felt before the game against Clarkson. Clarkson is ranked nationally and last year beat Hamilton in overtime. The score remained nil for the entire ninety minutes. When the players came out for overtime there were many who questioned if this game might be the one to break the streak. However with eleven minutes remaining in the second half of overtime, Devin Sullivan found the back of the net sending euphoria down the Hamilton bench.

It seems like Hamilton has erased any doubts that they can play with any team in the country. "We've won five in a row, were on a good streak, but we have crucial games coming up including St. Laurence, ranked 22nd in the Nation." With a wave of confidence growing steadily, there's no stopping this team.

The men's soccer team hopes to keep its winning streak alive when they faceoff against St. John Fishe this Saturday at 1:00pm.

Men's x-country finishes second at NESCACs

By Shawn Murphy '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Saturday, September 24th, at the Williams Invitational, the Men's Cross-Country team finished a spectacular second place in a field consisting of sixteen teams. This marks the second consecutive year in which Hamilton has placed second to the hometown, and nationally ranked Williams Ephmen. Among the competition included tough NESCAC rivals Amherst and Middlebury, as well as state opponents Union and RPI. The Continentals were led Dane Wolfrom '97 (8th overall, 27:29), with teammates Andrew Bomann '96 (13th, 28:12), Tom Capo '97 (17th, 28:32), and Harry Hackett '95 (18th, 28:33) following closely. Rounding out Hamilton's top seven include Jim Serhant '95 (26th, 29:02), Justin Ledden '97 (32nd, 29:31), and Jeremy Solkolnicki '98 (37th, 29:37). This meet will give confidence to this Hamilton team and proves to be a building block for the rest of the season. The men take this week off to prepare for their upcomming meets.

Men's football edges out Wesleyan, 6-3

By Mark Granovsky '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

What a difference a year makes. The Hamilton Continentals Football Team were a disappointing 1-7 in 1993, overmatched by their competitors in New England. Two games have elapsed this year, and Hamilton has proven that this is not a reenactment of 1993. Tufts defeated Hamilton in Medford, Ma. by a score of 35-32. The game was as close as the score indicated. On October 1st, the Continentals downed host Wesleyan 6-3 for their first victory of the year.

"The score is misleading," explained Coach Frank on his team's performance. "It was a great combination of offense, defense, and kicking." The kicking brought less return yardage compared to the Hamilton-Tufts game. The offense moved the ball well with sharp passing and the defense stopped any scor-

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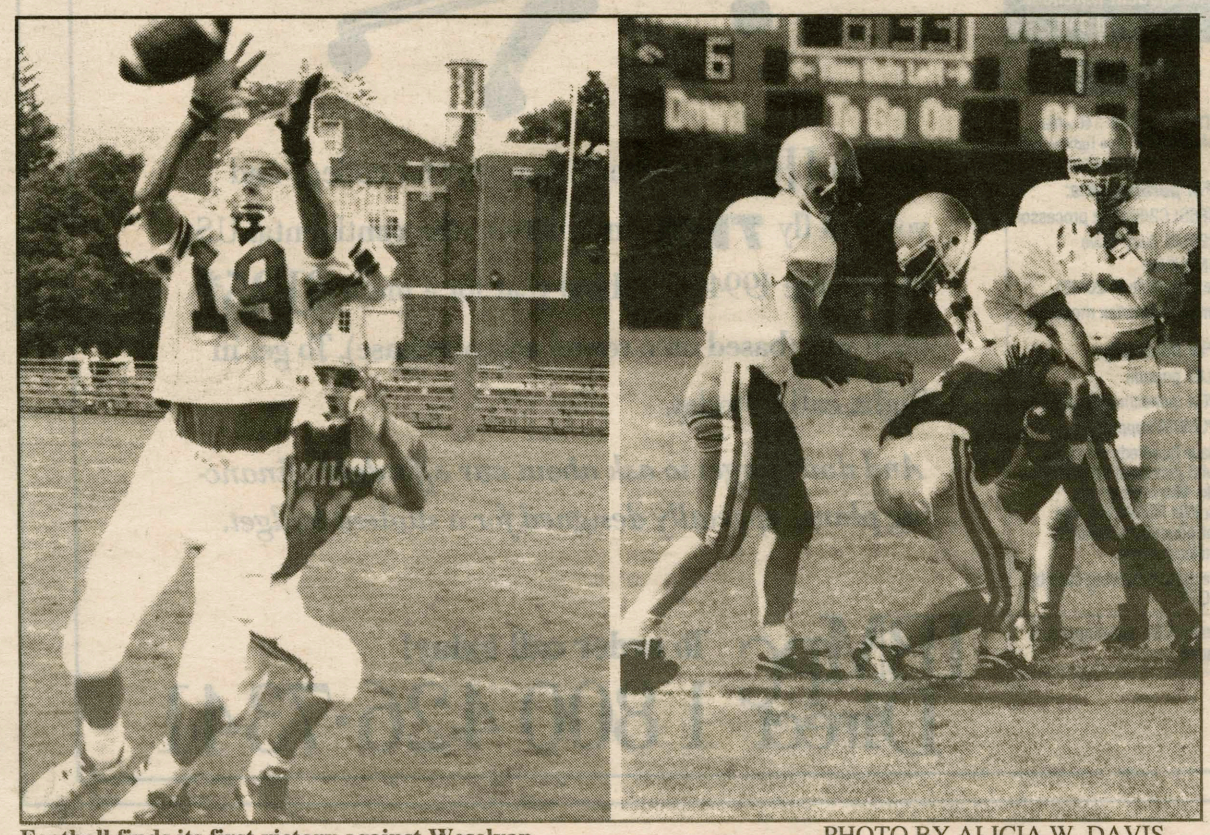

Football finds its first victory against Weselyan PHOTO BY ALICIA W. DAVIS

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